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Committees focus on new pub and dining policies

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Students returning to the Hill next fall will be met by a new pub, new dining policies, as well as a host of other changes brought on as a result of the recently concluded Residential Life Study. The On Campus Pub Committee and the Common Meal Committee, created to help implement the study's recommendations, have begun examining a variety of pub and dining policy alternatives.

The On Campus Pub Committee is presently considering three alternative sites for the location of the new pub. According to Associate Dean of Students Nancy Thompson who chairs the committee, Bundy Dining Hall is a strong contender because of the large space it offers, and because of its kitchen facilities. Other possible locations for the pub include the first floor of Bristol Campus Center and the old mail center located next to Commons Dining Hall.

In a Wednesday meeting, the committee, which is composed of six members representing students, faculty, and administrators, met to discuss the design and atmosphere that will be incorporated into the new pub. In addition, seven of the forty-five students who had expressed interest in the "Pub Project" attended the meeting.

Thompson described the Committee's vision for the pub as one of "a place where you can just

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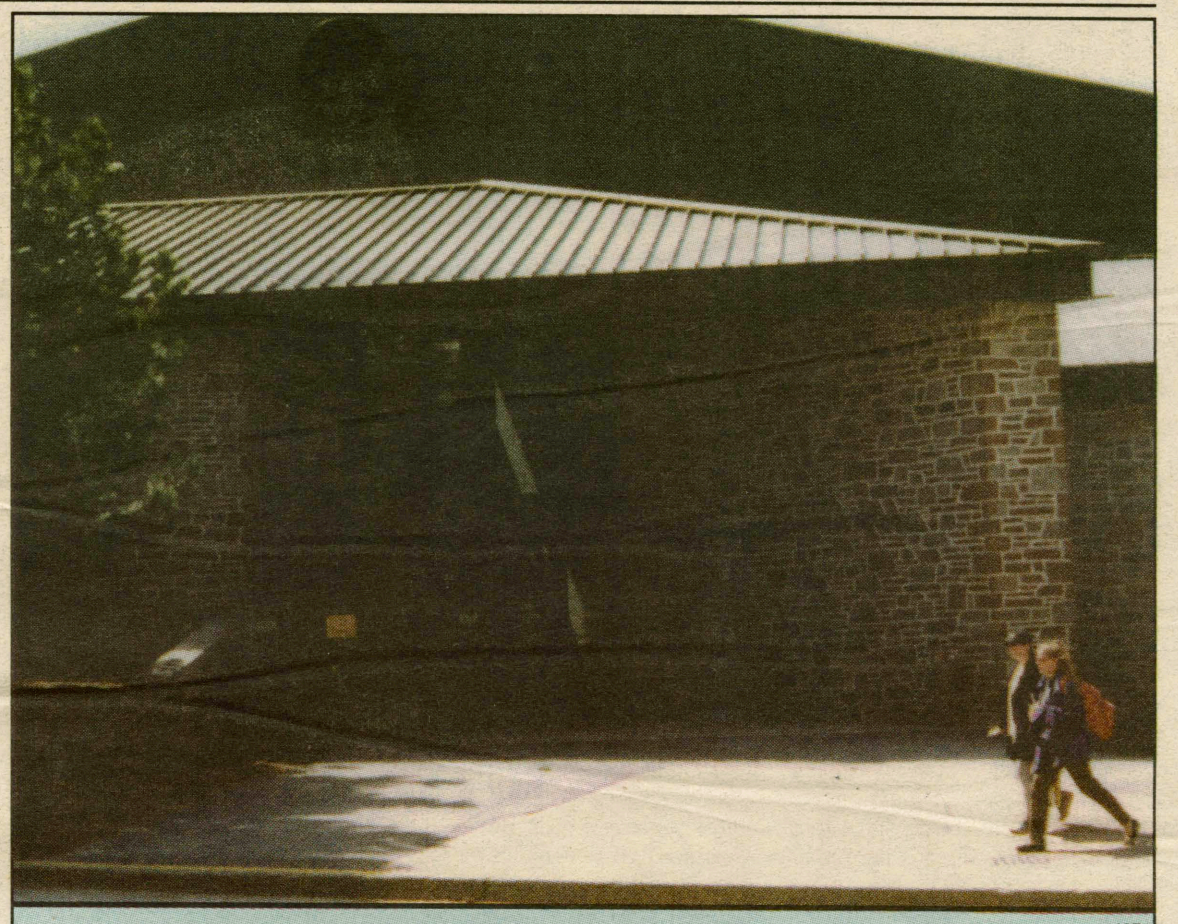

PHOTO BY LISA CHAN '97

The Margaret Bundy Scott Fieldhouse will be the site of this year's commencement on Sunday, May 21.

Hamilton plays host to SOCI Conference

By Gabriel Meyer '96
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On the heels of Womyn's Energy Week, the Sisters of Color International (SOCI) held their fifth annual conference entitled, "Communities in Dialogue: Women of Color's Stories and Struggles" on the Hamilton campus. Attended by students, faculty, and other paticipants, the three day conference last weekend included panel discussions, speakers, two business meetings, and various workshops.

The conference focused on "Difficult Dialogues" experienced and overcome by the women. Through the recital of poems, story readings, and group discussions, the 85 women in attendance dealt with issues including age, class, race, and ethnicity.

Assistant Professor of Womyn's Studies Papusa Molina was the event's main organizer and was influential in bringing the conference to Hamilton.

SOCI formed five years ago,

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Commencement to be held indoors as usual

By Mary Dias '98
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Every year, after suffering through a long and grueling Clinton winter, many seniors request an outdoor ceremony for graduation. However, the College has denied this request in the past and Commencement has been continually held indoors.

When asked why the College always held commencement indoors, Louise Peckingham, Assistant to the President of the College, said the principle reason was the unpredictable weather. The College Marshal, Professor Carole Bellini-Sharp, reinforced this statement recalling "last year, four days before commencement, it was freezing and people were walking around in winter coats. On the day of commencement it was so hot that four people fainted." She further stated that while the weather was the principle reason, it was not the only reason for holding commencement indoors.

Many other factors contributed to the difficulty, such as the restricted number that can be accommodated in the quad outside Burke Library, doubled work for physical plant to set up outdoors as well as a backup location indoors which would involve additional personnel and expenses, heatstroke and several safety issues. Professor Bellini-Sharp stressed the need for a backup loca-

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Harvard University Center for International Affairs scholars address turmoil in Africa and Yugoslavia

By Scott Kocher '97
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Two world political strategists from Harvard University Center for International Affairs came to Hamilton College this past week. Dr. Veljko Vujacic, a Serbian native of Yugoslavia, revealed the importance of many historical and cultural factors behind the current conflict in Yugoslavia.

State disintegration on the continent of Africa, however, is an entirely different story, as Dr. Michael Chege, who spent thirteen years at the University of Nairobi, in Kenya, explained. He argued that in Africa, economic and political concerns override the push towards ethnic and cultural domination. Recognizing the differences between these two situations, as elucidated by Vujacic and Chege, allows for a deeper understanding of the historical background and current challenges to the regions.

In his talk, Vujacic argued that the clash between leading ethnic groups in the Yugoslav region—Serbs, Croats, and Bosnian Muslims—is primarily the culmination of growing nationalist sentiment by these groups. James Bjork and Allan E. Goodman, in their case study "Yugoslavia, 1991-92," explain that, "While the leading actors in the Yugoslav war are united by a common language and have lived in close proximity for centuries, these ... ethnic communities followed highly divergent paths of historical development. This fragmented history meant that traditional symbols, legends, and heroes—memories that help bind most nations together—have tended to pull the people living in what came to be known as Yugoslavia in different directions." Dr. Vujacic said that this diversion and the need for many communities to reaffirm their cultural backgrounds are powerful motives for civil war in the region.

Ever since the creation of a dictatorship in the 1930s, Dr. Vojacic explained, administrative boundaries have not been coordinated with ethnic or historical boundaries. Numerous attempts to unify the region into a self-governing and autonomous political body have failed because the peoples' self-consciousness was too strong to be diluted by a central administration. After World War II, the Communist framework broke

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Smooth sailing for Levitt Public Affairs Center after bumpy start

By Scott Kocher '97
NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Arthur D. Levitt Public Affairs Center is up and running strong after a rocky start and numerous setbacks throughout the semester. The Center is equipped with cutting-edge hardware, including three PCs running on Pentium chips and three Power Macintosh computers. Also readily available at the Center is Netscape, a powerful yet user-friendly multimedia World Wide Web browser, as well as other major Internet access applications. Nevertheless, this high-technology facility receives minimal traffic from students and staff seeking information from over the Internet.

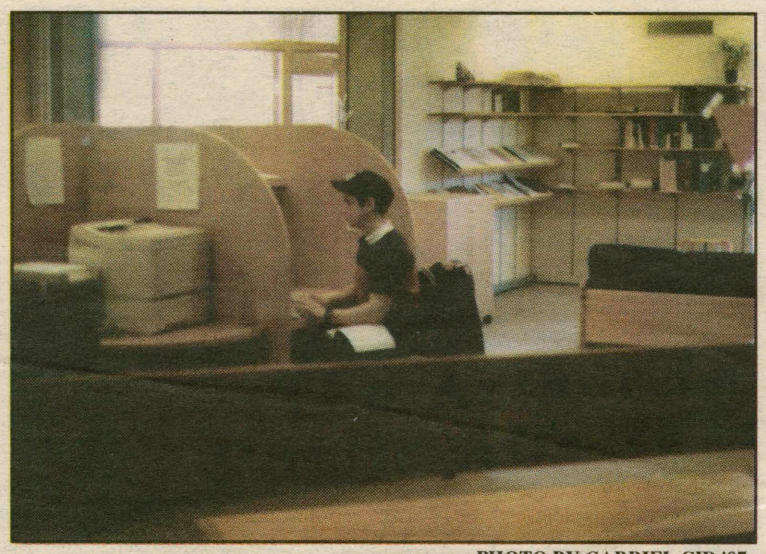

PHOTO BY GABRIEL CID '97

The Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center opened last December.

Throughout the semester, the Levitt Center has had problems with its Internet connection, which runs through an ultra-speed T1 line from the South side of campus to the main network in Burke. Although there have been various causes of the connection failures, the Levitt Center must invariably rely on the Burke Library Computer Center to reset the connection. The Levitt staff hopes to get these connection problems resolved when the campus network is installed.

Dan Valcour, web-master of the Levitt Center, says the computer lab was designed with the purpose of providing a gateway to the Internet, particularly geared towards public policy and related topics. But Lonnie Gelber '95 praised the lab as a comfortable environment for the Hamilton community to explore every facet of the world. "A lot of people think that you have to be a social science or public policy major to get a lot out of the Levitt Center. Being a natural science major, I still enjoy the unlimited access that it provides."

Jacob Stetser '98 enjoys the unprecedented power and speed of the lab's six high-end computers, which allows for more efficient use of large applications like Aldus PageMaker, SoftWindows for the PowerPC, and WordPerfect.

Students in Economics and Government classes are frequently encouraged to explore the Internet at the Levitt Center. The facility has its own home page, which provides access to information on educational and health care-related issues in the U.S., as well as economic statistics and official government documents from around the world. One can also find on-line resources of international relations and news reports. The Center even has its own women's home page, which has received accolades from around the country.

Educational information is provided by such resources as the United States Department of Education, the Educational Resources Information Center at Syracuse, and other gophers at Arizona State University and the University of Alaska. While exploring educational resources, I encountered sites like Educom and CAUSE, services which integrate information technology with higher education.

Using the Levitt Center Health Care site, I gained access to a variety of ground-breaking medical information, such as current progress by the Human Genome Project (they've just recently released the first 15,000 expressed human gene sequences) and the latest AIDS research by the National Institutes of Health.

From the Internet News Sources home page, one can explore the National Public Radio, Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty home pages. Using the Open Media Research Institute's Daily Digest, the latest news from the former Soviet Union and East Central and Southeastern Europecan be downloaded. All of these services are free to use, and easily accessible.

The Levitt Center has drawn criticism from students for having

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HEAG plans Earthfest this weekend

By Meghan Hallock '98
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The Hamilton Environmental Action Group (HEAG) will sponsor Earthfest this weekend. The festivities will feature a Rogers Glen Cleanup, Ultimate Frisbee and a Barbeque; all of which will be held on the TDX fields. The Earthfest is being put on in conjunction with the Campus Activities Board (CAB) and the President's focus on the environment.

Anne Griffin, a member of HEAG, says that the administration "has been quite helpful" concerning this weekend's activities. HEAG is a relatively small organization in the Hamilton community, with just six or seven members. The organization's Director this year is Eleanne van Vliet '96, and a lot of effort has been put in by last year's President of HEAG, Carrie Bushy '96.

The day's activities will be jammed with environmental and other activities. The day starts at 11 a.m. with the Rogers Glen Cleanup. The Rogers Glen formerly served as the Hamilton College landfill, and there is a definite need for the area to be cleaned. With the Rogers Estate planned as housing for next year and an access road being built for the Estate, presentability will be an issue. The task, however, is immense, and probably cannot be completed in a day, but HEAG is looking for as many volunteers as possible.

Following the cleanup, there will be Ultimate Frisbee at 1 p.m. on the TDX fields. In addition to the game there will be two bands performing. Mission Impossible, a band comprised of students, will start at one o'clock. Their act will be followed by Garden Weasels. After the entertainment, weather permitting, there will be a barbeque on the TDX fields. The barbeque will be optional and the regular meal plan will be available to the campus. The rain site will be the Alumni Gym.

One objective of the Earthfest is to celebrate Earth Day. Although this comes late it was necessary because of campus planning. There is also a need to increase awareness of environmental issues on campus. There will be booths set up with local people including a potter from Clinton who will talk about the use of environmental products in his crafts. Lastly, HEAG wants to increase its own visibility on campus. Griffin said that, "The general attitude on campus [concerning the environment] is that people are aware and interested but they don't seem to act." Volunteers for HEAG are needed as it is a "small group with big plans."

HEAG has steadily been building its activism. Currently, it is working with the Clinton Elementary School and the Clinton Day Care Center, here on campus, to make children more aware of environmental issues such as recycling. Working with the administration and physical plant, HEAG has changed the recycling policies of the College. In efforts to raise the College's 20% recycling rate, they have included junk mail in the mixed paper bin. The results will be available next year.

News Briefs

--compiled by the news staff

Inter-Society Council sponsors Al-Ham Weekend

This past weekend, the Inter-Society Council held its annual Al-Ham Weekend. The events began Friday afternoon with three-legged soccer, a water balloon launch, and drinks at the Sigma Phi fraternity. That evening parties were also held at Alpha Delta Phi and Delta Upsilon. Competition continued the next day with tricycle races, a pie-eating contest, and a Tug o' War. While the Delta Upsilon team and the Snowboarding club team seemed to compete for first place throughout the weekend, the Phi Beta Chi team came out of nowhere to defeat North residence hall, Alpha Delta Phi, Stryker Society, and Alpha Theta Chi for first place in the tug o' war. This victory gave them third place overall. The Snowboarding club finished out the weekend in second place, while first place was claimed by the triumphant Delta Upsilon team. The weekend ended Saturday night with a Gin and Juice party at Delta Kappa Epsilon. This event was a tremendous success and over 1200 bracelets were sold.

Springfest '95 in full swing

This year's Springfest is currently in progress. The week began with the last Acoustic Coffeehouse of the season on Wednesday. Acoustic Junction was accompanied by opener Gus, and performed in a packed Events Barn. Thursday night comedian Troy Thirdgill also entertained an audience in the Barn. This evening, hypnotist Thomas Bresadola will be performing at 9:00pm in the Barn. Saturday, the Hamilton Environmental Action Group (HEAG) has events planned for the entire day including music by the Garden Weasles, a cleanup of the Glen, and a barbeque. Finally, the weekend will conclude with George Clinton & the P-Funk All Stars at 9:00pm on Saturday in the Fieldhouse.

A complete schedule of all events can be found on all doorknobs in the residence halls, and in Beinecke. Springfest T-shirts will be on sale at all events for only six dollars, as well as this evening by C.A.B members who will be traveling through the residence halls. Springfest has been brought to you by the Campus Activities Board.

Statue incident investigation continues

An investigation into the toppling of the Alexander Hamilton statue continues. Though one more student recently reported seeing the incident, no suspects have been named in the act. According to Director of Campus Safety Pat Ingalls, the student's description of the incident matched those provided by other students shortly after the statue was pulled down by a truck driven by several students, early in April. The truck, which sustained significant damage, belonged to construction crews installing the Campus Network.

Ingalls estimates that the total cost of the damage to be $10,000, $3,000 of which will pay for truck repairs. "People don't want to come forward," commented Ingalls on the lack of leads in the investigation. "By not coming forward, they are condoning inappropriate behavior."

Preston Noell III speaks on "Nobility and Traditional Elites"

Preston Noell III, a representative of The American Society for the Defense of Tradition, Family and Property, spoke in the Red Pit on Tuesday. Advocating a society with distinct social classes directed by a virtuous elite, Noell rebuked the idea of an egalitarian state. As a practicing Catholic, Noell believes that our society needs to adopt Christian morals as the truth and that past deviation from these morals has been the cause of many of our nation's social problems. Noell's statements provoked an active discussion from students in attendance.

General Housing Lottery to be held Sunday

The majority of Hamilton's students will pass through The Walter Beinecke Events Barn this Sunday, as they vie for next year's housing. The General Lottery will include not only all the traditional dorms, but also the new 3950 Campus Road residence hall, the Saunders House, the Farmhouse, Griffin Road apartments, and certain rooms in Root dormitory and the Rogers Estate. The four slots left in the Rogers Estate must be filled by female students in order to maintain the sixty percent to forty percent ratio of male to female occupants. The Saunders House is available only to upperclassmen.

Corrections:

An article in last week's issue of *The Spectator* ("Charges of improper conduct abound after Student Assembly Budget Reallocation") should have stated that Robert's Rules of Order require that, "No member should vote on a question in which he has a direct personal or pecuniary interest, not common to other members of the organization." The rules suggest abstention from voting if a member feels that his or her vote is swayed due to bias.

The article also should also have noted that a significant number of student organizations have representative who serve on the Student Assembly.

News from other Ivory Towers

--compiled by Naeem Sheikh '96

Kabul University reopens after Afghan civil war

After being reduced to rubble during the fourteen years of civil war in Afghanistan, Kabul University reopened this month. However, there were no students and few lecturers at the formal reopening ceremony. The university opened last time in 1994 but was shut down after a week when a rocket attack on a faculty building killed seven lecturers.

Amir Hassanyar, university chancellor, said, "This time we are not on the front line. Although there is a lot of work to be done, we do not have to worry about rocket attacks." However, mines may have to be kept in mind. There have been some reports that the retreating anti-government forces laid anti-personnel mines in the university area.

"We have lost everything. Our preliminary estimate is more than $50 million," Hassanyar said. The government has no money to rebuild the university, which traded hands several times between governement forces and rebels in the three years after the Soviets were kicked out. *(The Times Higher Education Supplement)*

Eastern Kentucky University recycles newspaper as bedding for campus cows

Paper recycling is a common project on campuses, but Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) in Richmond has taken the concept to new grounds. In a program developed by the university agricultural department and the physical plant, paper destined for the recycling bin is collected and reused as bedding for the school's cows.

When the bedding has been sufficiently soiled, it is reused as compost in the fields. According to EKU Sierra Club Advisor Doug Hindman, more than 30 tons of paper have been recycled by the cattle, reducing the amount of waste exported from the campus by two truck loads already. *(NSNS)*

Cornell ethnic dorms in racism probe

Cornell University's policy of reserving residence halls for members of racial groups is under investigation by New York State's department of education after a complaint was lodged by the local Civil Rights Coalition.

For years the Ivy League school in Ithaca has had a dormitory called Ujamaa mainly for black students. Recently, other dorms have been opened which are intended primarily for Native Americans and Hispanics.

The Civil Rights Coalition complained that the dormitories fostered racial segregation. It asked the state to examine whether the halls of residence broke university regulations that prohibit discrimination on grounds of race or ethnicity. *(The Times Higher Education Supplement)*

This Week's Special Celebrations & Holidays around the World

Brought to you by: **The International Students Association**

Friday, April 28th : * Arbor Day, U.S.A.

Sunday, April 30th : * Queen's Day, Netherlands.
* King's Day, Sweden.

Monday, May 1st : * May Day, China.
* May Day, Fête du travail, France.
* May Day, Tag der Arbeit, Germany.
* May Day, Russia.
* Labor Day, Mexico.
* Labor Day, Victoria, Australia.
* Asian-American Week.
* May Day Bank Holyday, United Kingdom.

Tuesday, May 2nd : * King's Birthday, Lesotho.
* Dia de Los Reyes, Anniversaire des rois, geburstag des Konigs.
* Teej, Hindu.

Wednesday, May 3rd : * Constitution Day, Poland.
* Constitution Day, Japan.
* Hajj, Muslim.

Thursday, May 4th : * Youth Day, China.
* Shanka Jayanti, Hindu.

News Briefs from around the World

--compiled by Ralitsa Petkova '98

Carnage in Rwanda

Last Saturday, 2,000 ethnic Hutus were killed and more than 600 wounded when Rwandan government forces opened fire on a makeshift camp in Rwanda where members of the Hutu ethnic group had been moved. The gun battle began with Rwandan soldiers chasing people through the fields and shooting them with automatic weapons. The gunfire quickly ignited panic in the crowded encampment, with Hutu militiamen also firing at government forces and at United Nations troops.

The Rwandan refugees, all members of the Hutu ethnic majority, had begun gathering on the hillside earlier last week after the government started closing down camps sheltering more than 150,000 people. Since the wave of ethnic violence between Hutus and Tutsis last summer, the majority of the displaced Hutus have refused to leave the camps, saying that they feared reprisals from Government soldiers. The Government countered that the camps were a destabilizing force because they were home to thousands of armed Hutu militiamen.

The United Nations tried to get the Hutu to return home by promising them armed escorts and food supplies. When the operation failed last month, the Rwandan military said eviction was the only answer, and the forced exodus began.

War crimes indictment

The International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia is expected to name Gen. Ratko Mladic, the commander of the Bosnian Serb army, and Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader, as suspected war criminals, officials close to the tribunal said. There is little immediate likelihood of their facing a trial, because both Serbia and the self-styled republic of the Bosnian Serbs have refused to accept the authority of the United Nations tribunal.

At a time when the Bosnian Serbs are adopting an increasingly aggressive stance toward the U.N., the court's announcement could cause further friction and problems for the 24,000 U.N. troops in Bosnia. The Bosnian Serb leaders may be led to believe that a peace deal has little to offer if the U.N. is determined to bring them to trial.

Sunken Iraqi tanker may spill oil

Environmentalists say that an Iraqi tanker that sank in the Persian Gulf in 1991 could soon spill 100,000 tons of oil trapped inside it, polluting hundreds of miles of coast. At a news conference last Sunday the executive secretary of the Regional Organization for the Protection of the Marine Environment, Abdul-Rahman al-Awadi, said that the ship was so corroded that it could break open at any time.

The tanker was one of the four Iraqi oil tankers that were damaged during the 1991 Gulf war. It sank in international waters in the northern part of the Persian Gulf, near the Iraqi port of Al-Bakr.

Mr. Awadi said the organization was asking the United Nations to join efforts with regional countries to salvage the ship.

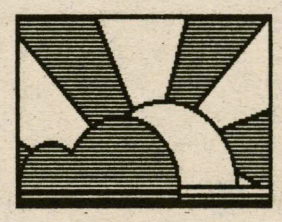
Turkish pullback from Iraqi Kurdistan

Turkey has withdrawn 20,000 of its troops from northern Iraq, leaving 12,000 behind to continue operations against base camps used by the rebel Kurdistan Workers Party. The withdrawal, which follows the pull-out of 3,000 troops on April 8, came as European countries continued to apply pressure against Turkey. Germany and the Netherlands have frozen military aid to Ankara and the European Parliament has said the incursion has jeopardized the planned customs union between Turkey and the European Union.

The Turkish army says it killed more than 500 Kurdish separatist rebels since its 35,000 troops first crossed over the border on March 30. Since the beginning of the operation, Turkish officials have said that they would not repeat the mistakes of 1992 when their army launched a similar but smaller attempt to sweep the border clear of terrorists. The war between Kurdish separatists and Turkish security forces has been going on for 11 years, and has cost an estimated 15,000 lives.
Source: *New York Times*

Weekend Weather

Saturday:
A mix of clouds and sun.
High 50 to 55.



Sunday:
Partly cloudy with a chance of rain.
High in the 50s.

National News Briefs

--compiled by Ralitsa Petkova '98

President Clinton pays his respects

President Clinton honored the victims of the Oklahoma explosion and pledged to seek broad new powers to combat terrorism, including creation of a domestic counterterrorism center to be headed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The White House said Mr. Clinton would seek new authority for Federal agents to monitor the telephone calls and check the credit, hotel and travel records of suspected terrorists. He also wants financing to put into effect legislation that requires telephone companies to assure easy access for court-ordered wiretaps of new digital computer lines, which are harder to monitor than old-fashioned telephone lines. The President also ordered Attorney General Janet Reno to review security conditions at all federal buildings and report back with recommendations for improvements within 60 days.

Bombing seen as revenge

Less than a week after the Oklahoma City bombing, federal investigators have pieced together a circumstantial case against Timothy J. McVeigh based on his identification by witnesses and correspondence in which he vented his rage at the government over the deaths of members of a sect in Waco, Texas.

Much of the evidence has undergone only preliminary analysis so far, but officials said it strongly suggested that the bombing was not an impulsive act by Mr. McVeigh and a band of renegade malcontents. They believe the attack was carefully planned and deliberately timed for the second anniversary of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's tear gas assault on the compound of the Branch Davidian sect in Waco on April 19, 1993, and occurred after months of preparation involving tests of explosives and discussion about methods and possible targets.

A violent trend of anti-government activity

Three weeks before the explosion in Oklahoma City, a bomb blew out windows and ripped open a hole inside the Forest Service Office in Carson City, Nevada. That same week in Montana, a self-styled citizen's militia leader directed threats at several public officials, saying, "There cannot be cleansing without the shedding of blood." And in Idaho, some Federal agencies have virtually stopped performing some of their duties, fearing violence from a handful of people who have made the Government their No. 1 enemy. Little noticed outside the West, this wave of violence, intimidation and threats against anyone associated with the Government has been building in many states for more than a year.
Source: *New York Times*

Levitt Center to upgrade services over summer

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hours that are too restricted. Dan Valcour replied that the Levitt Center's hours were created to accommodate student requests, and the Center's suggestion box is intended to let students suggest ideas for improvement. If sufficient staff and funding are available, the Center will strive to increase its hours if enough interest is expressed.

Students have also complained that the Levitt Center is a waste of College money and resources. Funding for the lab, however, is not provided by Information Technology Services. The Levitt Center is made possible by a grant independent from these services.

Regarding the future of the Levitt Center, Valcour explained that over the summer, he has ambitious plans to set up a NOVELL LAN (Local Area Network), which will provide file-sharing and print-sharing capabilities between Macintosh and PC computers. The NOVELL server will also make available a direct connection to Burke Library's CD ROM servers, which contain resident databases. These databases will include census data, the Panel Study of Income Dynamics, statistical abstracts of the U.S., and other resources. In addition, the Levitt Center staff plans to encourage professors to design home pages, allowing students to access syllabi and course software from their rooms or from the Computer and Levitt Centers. While the lab is still in its infancy, it has a promising future for on-campus information access.

Commencement to be held indoors as usual

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tion because even if a tent was set up, a heavy shower would transform the quad outside Burke library, which is the best location for an outdoor ceremony, into a mud hole.

However, despite all these problems, the College has made an attempt to accommodate the request for an outdoor commencement ceremony. Last year the College Marshal and others involved met with seniors and after presenting the numerous difficulties, called for volunteers to help with setting up a backup location. Seniors were also asked if they were willing to restrict the number of invited guests. Unfortunately, no agreement was reached concerning a plan of implementation for the outdoor ceremony. Hence the idea had to be abandoned and commencement was once again held indoors.

Committee aims for fall pub opening, Commons modifications anticipated

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hang out."

Among the features the Committee would like to include in the pub are a big screen TV, pool tables, a dance floor, interactive video games, dart boards, and a wide variety of cheap beer.

"The pub may reduce a perceived need for other kinds of social options," Thompson said, emphasizing that the new facility should be a conducive spot for social activities.

She noted that a microbrewery which was named as a possibility in the Report of the Committee on Residential Life is "not a primary issue" at the present time.

"One of our goals is to have this up and running by the fall," Thompson said. The total cost of the project remains uncertain.

The On Campus Pub Committee met with an architect yesterday to discuss possible plans for converting Bundy into a pub. Though bar-type food items may be offered if the pub is installed there, Bundy will no longer serve as a dining hall.

The Committee is considering the use of a cash-equivalency program for the pub, similar to that already in place at the Diner in Beinecke Student Village. Proper ID will be required of all students ordering alcoholic beverages.

Final plans for the new pub will be subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees at its June meeting. "We're just trying to get this thing done and make it a really great social option," said Thompson.

Director of Contract Services Betsy Espe said that it is not clear if the College will save any operational costs through the closing of Bundy Dining Hall.

If Bundy Dining Hall is not used as a pub, Thompson said it is likely to be used as some other form of social space.

The Common Meal Committee

The Common Meal Committee, Chaired by Associate Dean of Faculty Natt Strout, is examining changes in dining services related to the common meal. This new program, which will require students to eat lunch on campus each day, was also a product of the Report of the Committee on Residential Life. It will also result in McEwen Dining Hall shifting to an all-day operating schedule and renovations of Commons Dining Hall.

The Common Meal Committee consists of seven students, faculty, and administrators and met for the third time yesterday.

"We don't have any specific plans we are asking anyone to put into action," said Strout, adding that he welcomed student input. "The trick is to get as many people to express their ideas as possible."

His committee will submit a preliminary plan in August. "Whatever we do will be very flexible and tentative," he said.

Dean of Students Jan Coates described the Commons modifications as "changing the facility from more of a dining hall... to a dining room." Many students have long complained of the facility's high noise levels and cramped seating areas.

Long-term possibilities for Commons include extending the existing mezzanine along the south side of the building to create space for several small, semi-private dining areas as well as converting the existing small dining area on the east side of the main floor into a more intimate facility.

Strout noted that some faculty members have suggested the idea of designating a dining area in Commons for faculty use.

These changes will be designed to make Commons a more attractive space for group meetings held over meals and to take some of the strain off the limited number of existing facilities used for group meals. The total cost of the modifications are unknown.

Coates said that by late August, when students return for classes, Commons should be equipped with new more comfortable furniture. In addition, the facility will receive "acoustical treatment" over the summer to help diminish the noise levels inside.

No schedule has yet been set for structural modifications, though they are not expected to occur this summer.

Betsy Espe noted that various summer programs which use the campus require access to the dining halls, making renovations during this time a complicated matter. "We need to be magicians in order to handle it," she commented.

Lectures, panel discussions, and open-mike show dominate SOCI conference

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following another feminist conference in which the members were offended by the failure of other participants to address issues of race. As a result, several women of color walked out of the conference.

Last weekend's conference got underway on Friday afternoon with a panel discussion entitled "The (In)visible Selves" and a keynote lecture. The panel discussion explored the role of feminists in institutions of higher learning. The keynote lecture was delivered by Jacqui Alexander, the former Irwin Chair at Hamilton. Now a professor at the New School for Social Research in New York City, Alexander delivered an address entitled, "Eye to Eye: Women of Color Building a Vision for the 21st Century."

An open-mike performance was held Friday evening in which students, faculty, and other conference participants took part in poetry readings.

Saturday included a keynote address by Professor Haunani-Kay Trask of the University of Hawaii. She discussed the Hawaiian liberation movement, the struggle for decolonization, and the history of U.S. colonization in the state.

Several panel discussions also took place on Saturday, one of which was entitled "Re-Cobrando Nuestras Imagenes; The Politics of Representation." Among the panelists was a Hamilton graduate, Yance Ford '94, who now works as an independent studio and performance artist in New York City.

In an evening concert, the JUCA reggae band gave a performance in the Filius Events Barn. Dennis Merrick '95 who took part in the well-attended event commented, "They were the best reggae band I've ever seen."

On Sunday, in addition to several panel discussions, business meetings were led by six women. Julie Wolfe '96 described the participants as, "Coming from different backgrounds, but working together." Those involved all expressed having overcome difficult dialogues. Wolfe noted that a highlight of Sunday's program was a recital given by Professor Papusa Molina.

Molina portrayed her triumph over her "difficult dialogue" through the recital of a poem of words that described her. These included "feminist, lesbian, activist, professor, Mexican, fat," and "speaks three languages." She also noted that within twenty seconds of her arrival in the U.S., she had turned into "an illegal alien, accented woman."

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Several panel discussions were held last weekend as part of a conference sponsored by Sisters of Color International on the Hamilton Campus.

SOCI concluded the conference with a spontaneous discussion.

All events of the three day conference were moderated by Hamilton Instructor of History Allison Dorsey-Ward and Associate Professor of Womyn's Studies Chandra Talpade Mohanty.

The Spectator is always there... always.

Harvard speakers analyze causes of disintegration in Africa and former Yugoslavia

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down, and each ethnic community began to assert its own nationalism. Attempts to unify the country in the 1980s, such as the Yugoslav Political Party, came far too late, as ethnic activists helped to popularize politicians at the fringes.

Dr. Vujacic added that there is "a lack of coincidence between ethnic and administrative boundaries" in Yugoslavia. The country differs significantly from its Western European neighbors in this respect, he said, because its ethnicity defines the nation, rather than its citizenship or popular sovereignty, as with England, France, and the U.S. The heroic struggle to protect one's family and bloodline, and the glorification of self-sacrifice for one's people, distinguish the Yugoslav region from its neighbors, and it is this pride which has spurred bloodshed.

In stark contrast to the ethnic causes behind disintegration in Yugoslavia, Dr. Michael Chege subscribes to the argument that economic regress and political upheaval in some African countries have been the primary movers of instability and underdevelopment. "The unstable, internal political systems have been most devastated by war, because of the government's incapacity to uphold law and order." Angola, Mozambique, Chad, Uganda, and many other countries suffer from this internal civil disorder.

The economic causes behind disintegration are many. On a macroeconomic level, Dr. Chege said that countries in Africa have been unable to maintain stability. Fiscal deficits, imbalances of external payments, and inflation have all contributed to economic regression. Just as the U.S. is faced with the hotly debated issue of government spending in the form of entitlements versus taxes, so too are many African countries losing out in the fight to maintain a feasible balance. Chege said that underdeveloped countries must decide where their spending priorities lie.

He also explained that many African countries, up until recently, suffered from the "Cold War syndrome," which describes the Soviet Union's assistance to military factions vying for control, while the U.S. countered it by providing central governments with their own military supplies. Since the end of the Cold War, however, countries faced with internal opposition have had to increase government expenditures to replace lost external military support from abroad. If military expenditures were cut, Dr. Chege argued, the economic crises could be remedied. He failed to explain, however, the possibility that militant groups previously quelled by the central authority would become a serious problem.

Building up from disintegration, according to Dr. Chege, is a question of "hard and soft infrastructure." Again, the correct balance is needed for an effort to succeed. Governments must invest wisely in highways, bridges, powerplants, and the like, while supporting education, training, and human resources at the same time. It is very difficult, especially for financially strapped and war-torn countries, to achieve success at this endeavor. Even if the correct tactics are used, a difference will likely be seen only after many years of hardship. When asked about possible assistance that the U.N. could provide in rebuilding these countries, Dr. Chege expressed his lack of faith with the organization, and said that any economic progress would have to come from within, rather than from without.

Alumni leader to speak on Class and Charter Day

SPECIAL TO THE SPECTATOR

William McLaren Bristol, III '43, a Hamilton College alumnus who has selflessly devoted his time and energies to the service of his *alma mater* will deliver the address during the annual Class and Charter Day ceremony on Friday, May 5.

Bristol, a graduate of the class of 1943, has served Hamilton as a trustee, vice chair and chair of the Board of Trustees beginning in 1965. Today, he continues to serve his *alma mater* as a life trustee and special advisor. Recently, he has travelled throughout the U.S. and abroad to rally support As an undergraduate here, Bristol co-captained the football team, chaired the Honor Court, and was a member of Sigma Phi Fraternity, Was Los, and Pentagon.

During his tenure as board chairman from 1977 to 1990, the size of Hamilton's faculty and student body grew by 60 percent as the college successfully transformed itself into a coeducational institution. To provide the necessary resources for the expanded community, two major capital campaigns raised a combined total of $54 million during Bristol's tenure. In that same period, the endowment was almost quadrupled and major facility improvements took place, culminating in the dedications in 1988 of the Schambach Center and the Bristol Pool.

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William McLaren Bristol , III '43

Following his Hamilton graduation, "Mac" Bristol served as a Marine officer during World War II. Afterwards, he began a career in business, ultimately becoming senior vice-president and director of Bristol-Meyers Company, the pharmaceutical giant co-founded by his grandfather.

Bristol's long-time involvement with Hamilton follows in the great tradition of the college's oldest and most distinguished families. His grandfather was one of the Mohawk Valley's most prominent figures. In 1887, along with another Hamilton alumnus, John R. Meyers, Bristol founded the Clinton Pharmaceutical Company on North Park Row in Clinton. Years later, the firm was renamed Bristol-Meyers Company, ultimately becoming one of America's leading corporations. He is also a direct descendant of Joel Bristol, who in 1812 was named to Hamilton's first Board of Trustees.

Phyllis Schlafly, conservative activist to speak in Chapel

BY JOSEPH A. NOVEMBER '97
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Phyllis Schlafly, former advisor to Ronald Reagan and opponent of the Equal Rights Amendment, will speak in the Chapel at 8 p.m. on May 1. Schlafly is described as holding a pro-life, pro-family, pro-America, and anti-feminist political stance. In her speech, she will answer the question, "Would you want to be a feminist or marry one?" She is also a syndicated newspaper columnist, a radio commentator, and the host of of weekly radio call-in program.

The lecture, which is sponsored by the Conservative Club, will be Schlafly's second speech at Hamilton College. Schlafly's previous speech occurred in April, 1992 and it kindled a good deal of controversy on the Hill. The 1992 event was attended by over 800 people and was a novelty since conservative speakers were quite rare at Hamilton a few years ago.

Her anti-feminist, anti-liberal stance was what caused most of the controversy in 1992. One argument in her 1992 address to the college was, "The glass ceiling is the invention of the feminists to claim that there are not enough women in high professional firms." In her 1992 speech, she also said, "the feminists are the ones who just don't get it," and, "Feminists and liberals are two peas from the same pod."

After her lecture, Schlafly and several Conservative Club members were accosted by an angry group of both liberal and conservative students. Apparently, her blatantly anti-feminist views managed to anger many conservative women as well as Hamilton's liberal population. Many conservatives, however, hailed Schlafly as a much needed relief to the perceived feminist dominance in Hamilton politics.

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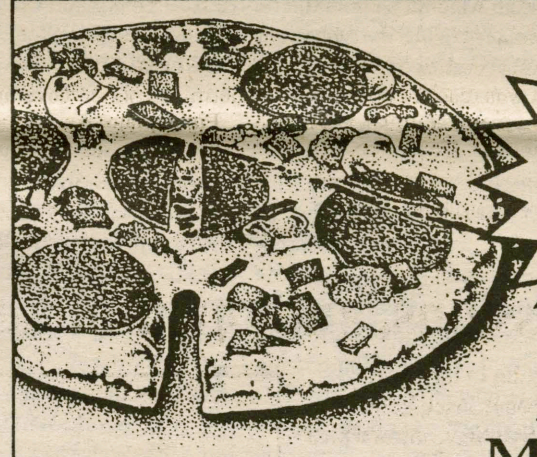

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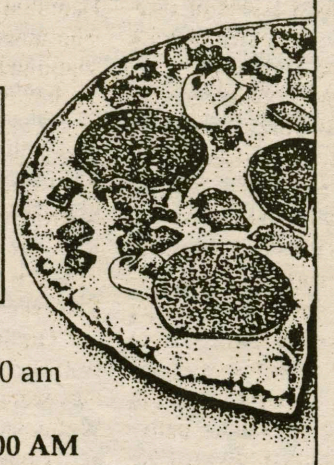

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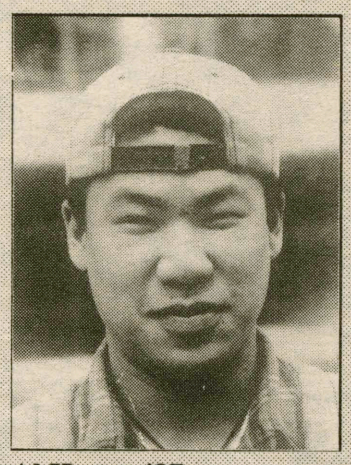

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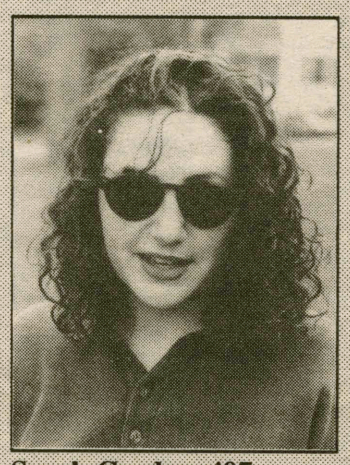

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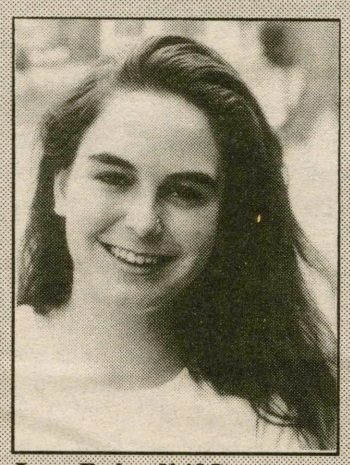

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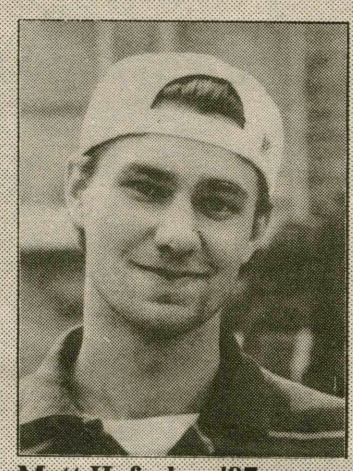

Matt Hofacker '97
"I don't remember."

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Special Advertisement

Network Services : Realizing the Promise of the Network

By Jim Huang
Assistant Director, ITS

This is the fourth in a series of articles to inform the community about the implementation of the campus network. It deals with services that can be provided over the network.

Much of the current work surrounding the campus network deals with the physical wiring and electronics that will enable a computer at point "A" to talk to another computer at point "B". However, the network's ultimate value and importance will be determined by the *services* and *information* it makes available.

In February, a subcommittee composed of students, faculty, staff and administrators was assembled in order to develop an inventory of network services that should be available to all users of the network in Fall 1995. The following are some of the services the subcommittee has discussed. As indicated below, some of these might not be ready for this fall.

By far, the most widely-used network service at Hamilton and throughout the Internet is electronic mail. Electronic mail, or e-mail, allows you to send messages (like letters) instantly to people across the hall or around the world. The most widely-used program people use to access electronic mail at Hamilton is *Eudora*. Currently, students must carry around a floppy disk in order to use *Eudora* on a Macintosh in the Computer Center. Also, although many Macintosh-based academic and administrative offices are using *Eudora*, DOS and Windows users must use ELM, a more cumbersome method of accessing electronic mail. This fall, all Macintosh computers, and computers using the Microsoft Windows operating system will be able to use *Eudora*. Older computers that use DOS will continue to use the ELM mail system.

Gopher, developed at the University of Minnesota, is a method of accessing text documents and searchable databases throughout the Internet through a series of easy-to-use menus. Hamilton's growing Campus-Wide Information System (CWIS) is currently based on Gopher technology. A "client" for accessing Gopher-based information will be available to all network users.

Usenet News is a collection of thousands of "bulletin boards" that people can subscribe to and participate in. If you want to "meet" other Internet users who are interested in marine biology, cycling, or practically anything else, you will find Usenet News very valuable. Electronic discussions related to issues at Hamilton, can also be facilitated with Usenet News. The College is also considering subscribing to a service that will provide AP and Reuters news articles directly. The variety of articles would be significantly greater than what is available in any printed media, and they would be available for your use almost immediately. If you want to get a preview of Usenet News, try out the Macintosh program, *NewsWatcher* at the Computer Center (you will need an e-mail account first). An alternate Usenet News client is being sought to use on DOS/Windows computers.

Telnet and FTP, two of the most fundamental Internet-related network services, will also be offered. Telnet is used primarily for accessing the on-line library card catalog at Hamilton and at other institutions. FTP is used to retrieve files (usually programs and data files) from other computers on the Internet.

The "World Wide Web" or simply, the Web, has received much press attention recently. Like Gopher, it is a service that allows you to access information all over the Internet simply by clicking on objects that appear on screen. However, the Web is much more advanced than Gopher because it allows the inclusion of images, sound and video information in addition to text. In order to access the Web, you will likely need an advanced computer with high resolution color graphics and a fast microprocessor. Alternative Web clients are being evaluated for less advanced systems.

This fall, we would also like to establish, on a trial basis, a Centralized File System. This Centralized File System may eventually give everyone on campus a 2 to 5 Mb allocation of disk space for file storage, accessible from any networked computer on campus, be it a Macintosh or DOS/Windows machine. This would eliminate much of the need for floppy disks, and all of the reliability, capacity and speed limitations inherent in them. By first operating this system on a trial basis, we will have the opportunity to eliminate many of the quirks and problems before offering such a potentially critical network service to the entire Hamilton community.

One of the most exciting developments made possible by the campus network is the sharing of software. Much of the specialized, course-related software currently available for use only in the Computer Center, may be made available campus-wide this fall. No longer will you be limited to performing graphics work with *Photoshop* or statistical analysis with *Statview* between the hours of 8:30 AM and midnight. Once you have copied the appropriate software from a file server to your own computer (assuming your computer is capable of running it!), you can use the software at any time of day or night from wherever your computer is located. In order to comply with our license agreements, all of these specialized, course-related programs will be modified using *KeyServer*™ so that only the licensed number of copies will be allowed to run at one time. All of this may sound complicated, but in reality, it is very transparent to the user — all of the Macintosh software in the Computer Center is controlled using *KeyServer*, and you probably didn't realize it. This approach to sharing software moves us one step closer to realizing the promise of the campus network to enable people to access academic resources independent of time and location. Final decision on when this service can be implemented will be based upon an analysis of the associated costs, and the projected number of users of the service.

Much construction remains to be done before the network is ready for the fall. Even after the network wiring is complete, providing network services will be an on-going activity, which will evolve from year to year as we gain more experience with the network. A network is an enabling technology - creative use of this technology will come with experience.

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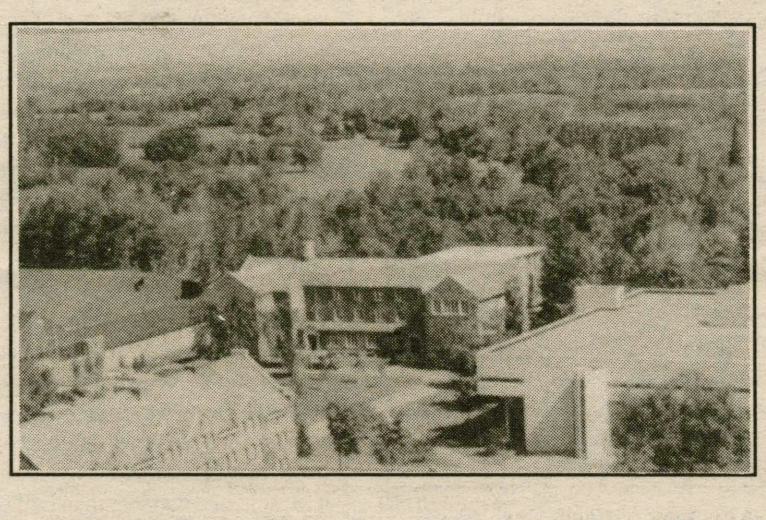
Behind the closed doors of the Science Building

By Nadine Neue '98
FEATURES EDITOR

I remember sitting in front of a little tube, plugged at the top, containing approximately a hundred or so flies. Not just any flies mind you but Drosophila; fruit flies. Tiny little suckers that are quicker than the regular household fly. I think to myself, "Great, okay, all I have to do is put these guys to sleep, make sure that I don't kill them, (cause then I'd have to do the entire experiment over) take them out, and count them." Easy? Not really, flies are more intelligent than you'd think. I swear that they actually pretend to be asleep and then, just when you open the flask, they'll all wake up and fly right at your face. The usual reaction to that is "ARRGHH!", as you drop the tube. Then they're everywhere. Biology; my biggest thrill and nemesis.

The Science building has always made me wonder what other strange things happen behind those various closed doors. I remember several friends of mine bringing home snails as pets proclaiming, "Meet Wimp, he got me a 10 on the lab." Another story that got me interested was about two students who stayed after class to ask their professor, Professor Reynolds, questions. "He showed us his mollusks and everything!" They came back exclaiming, which was amazing in itself, considering that one of them never got excited and even more rarely smiled! Then, of course, everybody knows Professor Gapp's alligators. Once a student walked into Professor Williams lab and almost stepped on a butterfly. (Actually there were a dozen or so all over the floor). "Uh, Professor Williams, umm, you've got butterflies all over the floor," the student muttered confusedly. "Oh no! Oh boy, oh they got out , oh no!," was Professor Williams' reply. He proceeded to crouch down and attempt to pick up each one with the utmost care possible.



So one fine morning I set out to walk through the science buildings, randomly, and look around. No, don't worry, I didn't touch anything or meddle with equipment...I have too much respect for a huge box that has five tubes leading into it and three or so leading out. Since I understand a Macintosh computer I should understand this.

Walking around, you could hear Professors discussing theses with seniors or simply new results from an experiment in their field. The offices were hung with posters from wall to wall and books were everywhere. At one point I smiled when I saw a small pink rubber animal toy next to an immense version of an oxygen tank. It seemed more then just a Science building, it seemed like home for the people who worked there.

I turned a corner and basically attacked Professor Sue Ann Miller who had just gotten out of her class. "So what do you research on?" I grinned. A little caught off guard she replied, "Hi." Cell division patterns is what turned out to be her area of research at the moment. In the first stages of development how do the cell numbers contribute to the shaping of the cell and therefore the eventual organism? As to why she had decided to come to Hamilton, Professor Miller replied that she had been researching at a medical school when she realized that teaching was just something that she really enjoyed. At Hamilton, because she is teaching, a much broader spectrum of reading is necessary. This way, while researching on one thing, you are still keeping up with a variety of other new results from experiments in the scientific world community.

Professor Jinnie Garret, who I then ran into downstairs, mentioned that it is a really good feeling to know that your involvement is valued. You get to work with the students and know that they are really learning something from the experience, instead of standing in a lecture hall of three hundred. Then going to your office to manage all the different experiments that the graduate students are doing, without ever really being able to get through to the actual people. She's working on the ability of yeast (the household kind this time) knowing what is good for them to eat and what not. When faced with many things to eat, they instinctively know what's best for them. That's a lot more than can be said for Hamilton students, don't you think?

I hear from many professors that it's nice not to need to deal with the cut throat "publish or perish" attitude that many, if not all big institutions have. Hamilton's got good "toys" (as Professor Miller liked to call them). In other words, lot's of good equipment and the atmosphere to get into the science instead of the politics.

In the Chemistry building, I found Karen Brewer at work with her computer. I think I will never forget her answer to what she does.."I create new molecules". Cool, I thought, as I observed, sparks flying from a little metal box while a Dr. Jeckel and Mr. Hyde look-alike pushed frantically at the sides to the box. She also teaches what's affectionately called "Superlab". Six hours of lab a week, plus a class day, and it's writing intensive on top of that! She told me about the students who stay at Hamilton over the summer and continue to work with the "Glove Box", among other things. The glove box is part of what Professor Brewer is working on at the moment; Fiber-optic networks. In short, looking at new semi conductors that give off light and looking at semiconductor properties in general. When mixed with oxygen some of these substances become flammable and so the students working with this need to be extremely trained.

Students become colleagues, Professor Miller said, and so it certainly seemed. In the Physics Department everyone that I saw was busy with a student, or with a senior going over their thesis. A huge vacuum was comfortably parked in the middle of the hallway.

In the Psychology department everything was really quite, and I admit I was a little glad. My roommate happens to be taking Psychology this semester and I was paranoid about running into her professor and having him say, "Ah, yes I read about you and your Freudian compulsion.

In general, though I enjoyed my hunt through the halls. I had to laugh when, aside from the microwave that sits in the corner of one lab, Professor Garret admitted that to heat her hot water bath for lab experiments, she uses a Hot Fat Frier.

FYI: Bicycle Riding

By Diann Lynch
R.N.C.C.H.N.

Bicycling has become an increasingly popular form of exercise as well as a new mode of transportation for adults, especially among college students. Unfortunately, traumatic and non-traumatic injuries brought about by bicycle riding are also on the rise.

Each year, bicycle accidents in the United States claim the lives of about 1600 people of varying ages.. Approximately 400,000 people are seen in emergency rooms and about one million people require some type of medical treatment for bicycle related injuries. Adults are less likely to get into accidents than children, but they do occur, even for the most experienced bicyclist.

The most common type of traumatic injuries are strains and sprains followed by fractures and head injuries. Even though head injury is the least common of injuries, it is by far the most serious. Approximately 85% of bicycle deaths are due to head trauma. As a matter of fact, bicyclists are at a greater risk for head injury than participants in almost any other sport. Obviously, a proper fitted protective helmet would significantly lower the risk.

Some of the causes for bicycle accidents are riding against traffic, not obeying traffic signals, speeding, riding on loose gravel or unstable surfaces, impaired judgement due to alcohol or drugs and mechanical problems with the bike (brake failure, bald tires, loose chain, etc.) It is interesting to note that 50 -60% of all bicyclists involved in accidents acknowledge that they were responsible for the accident.

Non-traumatic injuries such as muscle aches, skin chafing, and hand pain are also common problems for bicyclists. To minimize these problems you should do the following:

-Adjust the height, position, and tilt of the bicycle seat for optimum comfort.
-Adjust the handlebars to reduce forward head tilt and neck strain.
-Avoid tight gripping of the handlebars.
-Exercise the fingers and hands frequently while riding.
-Wear properly fitted shoes and keep the feet aligned straight on the pedals.
-Wear comfortable clothing appropriate for the weather.
-Warm up with appropriate exercises before cycling.
-Stop to rest when needed.

Most bicycle accidents can be prevented by practicing safe cycling habits and using common sense. Cyclist of all ages should wear a protective helmet. Especially be safe during the spring season as traffic increases.

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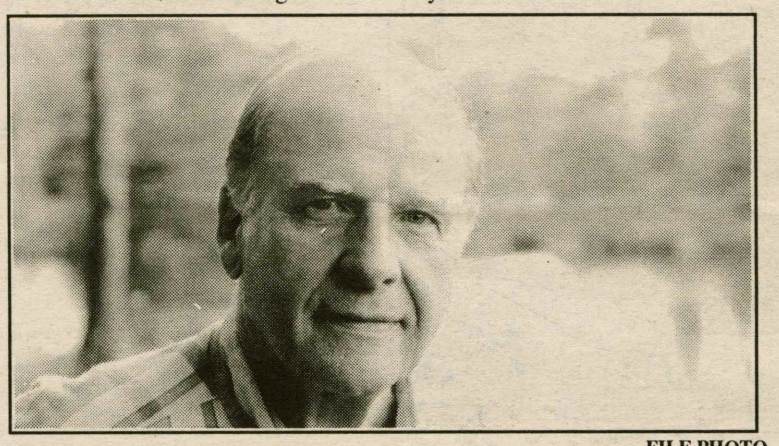
Earth Day: A celebration of the environment

By Marie Follayttar '98
FEATURES EDITOR

In 1969, then-Senator Gaylord Nelson, a Democrat from Wisconsin, proposed a national demonstration on environmental concern. He was inspired by the anti-Vietnam teach-ins on college campuses and wanted to use this technique for environmental concerns to be aired. This idea developed into the celebration of Earth Day which began on April 22, 1970. This day is an open demonstration of unified people concerned about the condition of the earth's environment. People who realize that something must be done to control the then-current acceptance of environmental degradation and deterioration.

On the first Earth Day, 10 percent of the population, twenty million people, demonstrated their support for environmental changes. Now Earth Day is celebrated around the world by well over two hundred million people, and Senator Nelson's vision is realized by almost everyone. In fact, in a 1991 *Wall Street Journal* poll, it was discovered that "concern and awareness of environmental problems are all but universal; eight in ten Americans regard themselves as 'environmentalists' and half of those say they are strong ones."

Obviously, a general rise of people in any direction and through any motivation causes a shift in the attention of the media. As earth concerns appear on the public realm, government officials are forced to take notice of the problems. Through the rise of support of the public in the early 1970's combined with Senator Nelson's eloquent concerns and visionary attitude, 28 major environmental bills were made and changes were actuated through government intervention. These changes included mandating fuel efficiency standards in automobiles, the banning of DDT and the control of strip mining. Congress also passed the Clean Air Act and the Clean Water Act. But these were just the beginnings of the ideas.



Former Senator Gaylord Nelson, The Founder of Earth Day FILE PHOTO

"The idea of Earth Day was a national demonstration of environmental concern big enough to shake up the political establishment. Magically, it worked, thanks to the spontaneous response of millions of concerned Americans. Today, however, the problem is this: Until recently, we haven't recognized the existence of any environmental limits that might impose a moral duty on this generation to preserve opportunities and choices for future generations. From the time our ancestors landed on these shores, we have lived by the belief that the gifts of nature are inexhaustible. Now that we know there are finite limits to the bounty of the land, we also must know we have a moral obligation to pass that bounty on future generations. This is what sustainability is all about," said Gaylord Nelson in 1995.

This concept of sustainability is the current focus of Earth Day participants as well as other environmental activists. Sustainability is the idealist idea of a society that manages to meet its current needs while not compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs. All too often our society builds now, uses resources now, concentrating only on the present needs while not considering the ultimate grand scheme of things and the future role of the resources we have just consumed.

In order to attempt to understand this concept we must begin to visualize our world in another fifty years or so. By this time according to the Census Bureau our population may have doubled. This means that another 251 million people will be living in the United States all needing land, housing, water, food, transportation, schools etc. Unfortunately, if current unnatural extinction of species through human activities and utilization continues, one fourth of all species will probably become extinct. There will be less food to sustain the growing population. Also, with the growth in population more natural resources will need to be used and these will diminish even more. But this diminishment does not stop in food and shelter but continues into the most important of all resources; our water supply. Most of our water is provided from the ground. However, it is being taken without being replaced. So, in another fifty years or so it is projected that less than half of it will be gone. Without these resources humanity will not be able to survive. So what is the point of discovering new technological advances, if people will not be around to enjoy them?

Therefore, it is necessary to adopt a new framework. Nelson created five characteristics by which we should govern our lives in order to sustain quality for the future years. The first of these is renewability. If a community uses renewable resources, it will conserve those that are not renewable. More specifically, resources should not be used up faster than they can replace themselves. The second is substitution. If you do not have to use an unrenewable resource, don't use it. The third is interdependence. Compromise with other communities, without them you will not be able to survive. So, ensure their survival and you shall assure yours. The fourth is adaptability. Create a diversified economy, educated citizens and a spirit of solidarity. This framework will allow for adaptability in the future when it is necessary. The final characteristic is institutional commitment. Make sure the laws back of the people's consensus. Educate people about these new ideas. If these characteristics are adopted then our natural resources, including our people, have a much better chance of survival in the future years.

Nelson places the challenge of forging and maintaining a sustainable society on the young people of the United States. He says that he is "optimistic that the generation now preparing to assume responsibility for our common future will have the foresight and the will to begin the task of forging a sustainable society." Our generation is the one who will have a real chance at this game.

This weekend on the Hill students will celebrate Earthfest, a festival to commemorate Earth Day. All day events will be sponsored by the Hamilton Environmental Action Group (HEAG). Join in on the festivities on Saturday, April 29, which will start at 11 a.m. and will continue until the end of the day.

Cat's Cook Corner

Lemon-broiled chicken

This is the second to last isssue and we decided to put in a new recipe that is great for that final home cooked meal for your special friend. This lemon-broiled chicken is great with anything and has such anice juicy, tangy flavor that you will be wanting more and more.

Ingredients:

4 boneless chicken breast halves or 4 to 6 other pieces(thighs, wings, etc.)

4 tbls or 1/2 stick butter- if you are cholestoral conscious, you can reduce the amount to 1/4 stick or use marjorine

3 tbls lemon juice, or the juice of 1 fresh lemon

1 tbls Worcestershire sauce

1 tbls honey(optional, but definitely recommended)

1 tbls soy sauce(optional, but it adds

First rinse the chicken pieces and pat them dry. If you use chicken breasts and want them extra thin, cover them with wax paper and pound them which will make them thinner. Then place the chicken in an aluminum foil baking pan. Make sure the pieces are touching, this will allow for the juices to flow more. Set it aside. Then combine all of te remaining ingredients in your hot pot on a medium-low heat. Once the butter has completely melted, unplug your hot pot and pour this liquid over the chicken in the aluminum pan. Broil in a toaster oven. It You will know that it is done when a brown, bubbly surface appears. Don't allow it to become black. Baste the chicken several times with the sauce. Spoon a little sauce over it each time you serve it.

Serves 2 to 3 people

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Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson

I SUPPOSE THE SECRET TO HAPPINESS IS LEARNING TO APPRECIATE THE MOMENT.
I, FOR EXAMPLE, TAKE GREAT PLEASURE IN BEING RIGHT HERE, RIGHT NOW, DOING WHAT WE'RE DOING.
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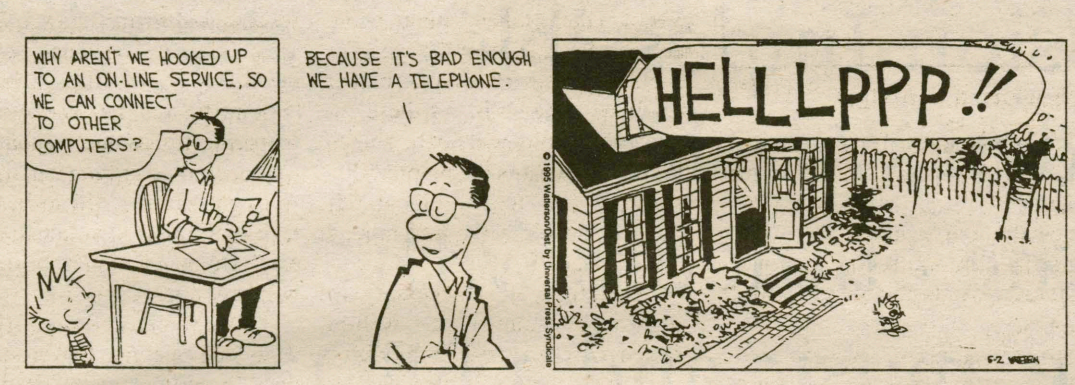
OF COURSE, YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE AT SCHOOL.
I COULDN'T APPRECIATE THOSE MOMENTS.


WHY AREN'T WE HOOKED UP TO AN ON-LINE SERVICE, SO WE CAN CONNECT TO OTHER COMPUTERS?
BECAUSE IT'S BAD ENOUGH WE HAVE A TELEPHONE.
HELLLPPP!!
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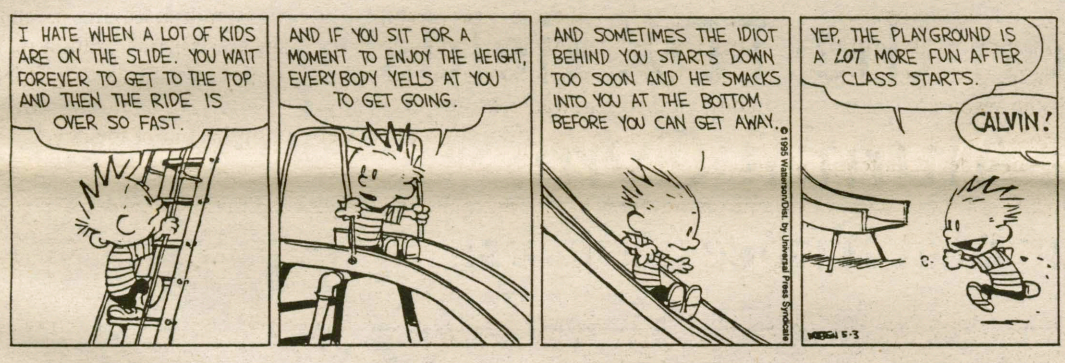
I HATE WHEN A LOT OF KIDS ARE ON THE SLIDE. YOU WAIT FOREVER TO GET TO THE TOP AND THEN THE RIDE IS OVER SO FAST.
AND IF YOU SIT FOR A MOMENT TO ENJOY THE HEIGHT, EVERYBODY YELLS AT YOU TO GET GOING.
AND SOMETIMES THE IDIOT BEHIND YOU STARTS DOWN TOO SOON AND HE SMACKS INTO YOU AT THE BOTTOM BEFORE YOU CAN GET AWAY.
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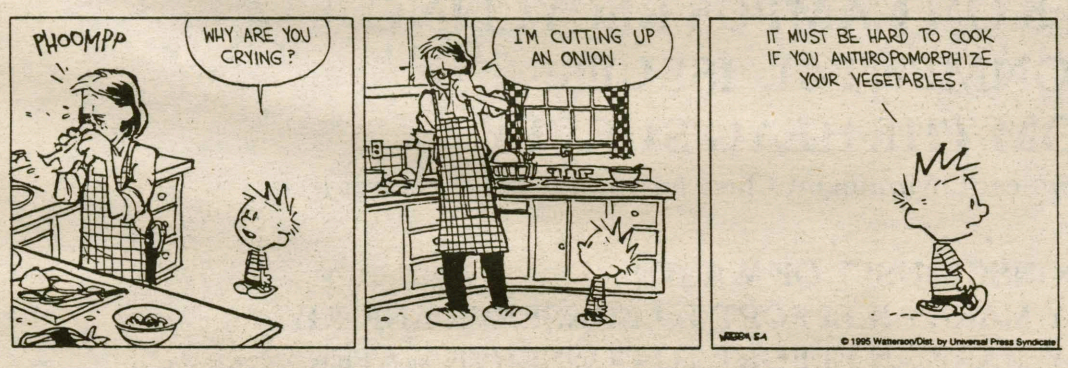
YEP, THE PLAYGROUND IS A LOT MORE FUN AFTER CLASS STARTS.
CALVIN!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WHY ARE YOU CRYING?
I'M CUTTING UP AN ONION.
IT MUST BE HARD TO COOK IF YOU ANTHROPOMORPHIZE YOUR VEGETABLES.
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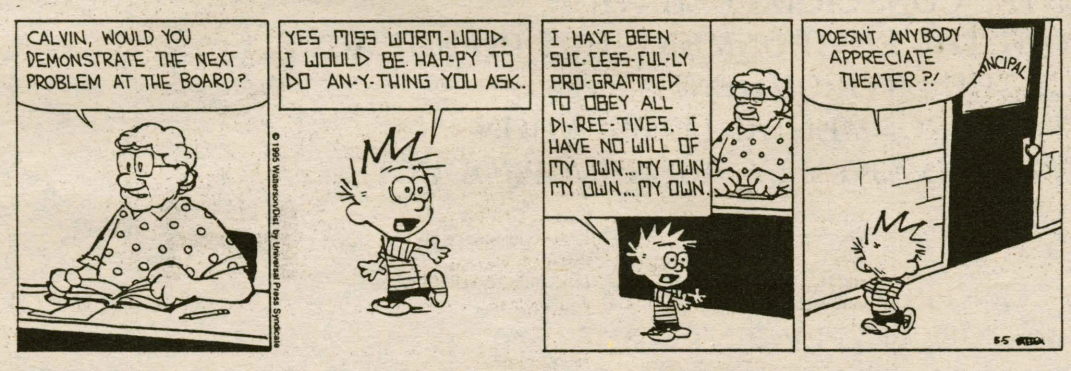
CALVIN, WOULD YOU DEMONSTRATE THE NEXT PROBLEM AT THE BOARD?
YES MISS WORM-WOOD. I WOULD BE HAP-PY TO DO AN-Y-THING YOU ASK.
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I HAVE BEEN SUC-CESS-FUL-LY PRO-GRAMMED TO OBEY ALL DI-REC-TIVES. I HAVE NO WILL OF MY OWN... MY OWN MY OWN... MY OWN.
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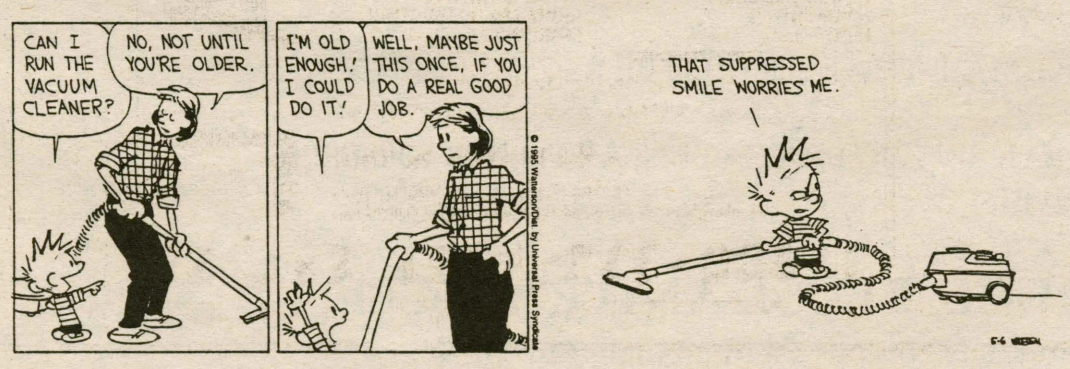
CAN I RUN THE VACUUM CLEANER?
NO, NOT UNTIL YOU'RE OLDER.
I'M OLD ENOUGH! I COULD DO IT!
WELL, MAYBE JUST THIS ONCE, IF YOU DO A REAL GOOD JOB.
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THAT SUPPRESSED SMILE WORRIES ME.

Quotable Quotes

By Joshua Ribner '97

"They all end up having sex on the floor around the corpse."
-Professor Sciacca on some of the less known Russian folk rituals in an in-class movie.

"Juicy berries are everywhere, so go and revel in them."
-Professor Sciacca and his analysis between berries and virginity.

"I recognize every woman's crotch on this campus."
-Kate Scovin '97 and her powers of perception for sizing up the competition.

"Who are you doing the morals for…an amoeba?"
-Michelle Cosentino '98 during a heated discussion of cellular biology and religion.

"After four years at Hamilton, everything is intellectually challenging."
-Hau Wai Cheng '95 on how the Hamilton education sharpens your mind.

"Everything I see reminds me of my ex-boyfriend."
-Anonymous first-year student as she sizes up the chapel.

"Everyone has the same amount of hair, its just not all distributed equally."
-Marty Reichgott '95, '96, '97…? describing his theory on aging.

"I wouldn't suck on anything of yours!!"
-Matilda Cunningham '95 after being accused of stealing a first-year's candy.

"What do they put in those balloons?"
-Those aren't balloons!

"He's a man, once he does it he can't come again."
-Meghan Hallock '98 in reference to male ability on the first date.

"You know how a tampon expands in water?"
-Gabriel Cid '97 sharing intimate first hand experience in a not so intimate situation.

"Anything you can do with your tongue. I can do better."
-Corrie Popp, friend of Margaret Michaels '97.

EARTHFEST '95

A Springfest Finale!

11-1pm Cleanup - TDX Fields
Live Music!
1 pm - Mission Impossible
3pm - Garden Weasles
Come enjoy the outdoors with
all-day frisbee, music and a BBQ
at 5pm on the TDX fields.
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YOUR ATTITUDES ON CAMPUS RECYCLING AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES: RESULTS FROM THE HEAG SURVEY.

(Thanks to Prof. Raiche and his 'Chemical Environment Class for conducting the survey)

- 30.4% DO NOT DISPOSE CONSCIOUSLY OF WASTE
- ONLY 25.2% CONSCIOUSLY MAKE AN EFFORT TO CONSERVE ENERGY
- ONLY 29.6% CONSCIOUSLY MAKE AN EFFORT TO CONSERVE WATER
- 46% EXHIBIT ENVIRONMENTAL CONSCIOUS BEHAVIOR
- 46% ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT, BUT DO NOT ACT
- 13.1% DO NOT CARE ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT
- 33% DO NOT KNOW ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL LEGISLATION
- ONLY 29.9% PURCHASE ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY PRODUCTS

Recycling on campus:

- MINOR HAS THE BEST RECYCLING PERCENTAGE (90.1%)
- DUNHAM HAS THE WORST RECYCLING PERCENTAGE (59.5%)
- 35% OF WASTE DISPOSED IN GARBAGE BINS IS ACTUALLY RECYCLABLE

- 23.5% IS PAPER AND JUNKMAIL THAT SHOULD BE RECYCLED IN THE 'MIXED PAPER' (RED) BIN
- 9.1% IS CARDBOARD AND NEWSPAPER THAT SHOULD BE RECYCLED IN PROPER (GREEN) BIN

PLEASE REDUCE, REUSE AND RECYCLE!

survey and data compiled and tabulated by HEAG

Shopping until we drop: Can our economy cope if we buy less?

Peter Kelly

Growing Impact

My last two articles may have persuaded you that reducing consumption is a good idea...in theory. But you may have been thinking: In practice, could we *really* get serious about reducing consumption? Wouldn't we wreak economic havoc? Wouldn't we destroy whole industries, create massive unemployment, and devastate export-dependent Third World economies? Don't people's livelihoods depend on us shopping 'til we drop?

These are serious questions, too often brushed aside by environmentalists. The economic pains of reducing our military after the collapse of the Soviet Union demonstrate the need for careful planning if we are to tackle the even bigger job of reducing our overall consumption. If the transition to a sustainable economy is gradual enough (over the course of, say, 25-50 years) and is accompanied by some cultural value changes, then we can get through it.

The key to the economic changes is the tax system. We could start small by increasing taxes on advertising, but the really major change would be a gradual shift from income taxes to environmental taxes. Defined broadly, all environmental taxes would be on either resource depletion or pollution. "Pollution" would include everything from waste disposal to CFC release, and "resource depletion" would include things like overfishing and erosion. Some taxes, notably energy taxes, would be on both resource depletion and pollution. We would drastically raise tariffs on environmentally destructive goods coming in from countries with weak environmental laws or low environmental taxes. This would encourage them to sell less, but at higher prices. Right now, the cost of our products and services doesn't fully reflect their true environmental costs, especially in the long term. Environmental costs are real, but business is just passing them on to our descendents, who will have to pay them. If we had environmental taxes reflecting these costs, then we would be forced to pay now. Of course, prices on everything from gasoline, to beef, to coal-generated electricity, to airline tickets would go way up. Yet many would end up paying less tax. The money earned from environmental taxes would be used to give just enough tax credits to the poor to offset the tax regressiveness, and to lower, and gradually abolish, income taxes.

Serious environmental taxes would certainly shrink the destructive sectors of the economy and throw many people out of work. What could we do? Well, when we discourage destructive industries, we effectively *encourage* investment in low-environmental-impact sectors of the economy. We would also encourage labor intensity through the lower income taxes. Fortunately, these changes would work together since low environmental impact is highly correlated with labor intensity. There is nothing inherent in capitalism that dictates a never-ending march toward more machinery and fewer workers. We could put lots of people to work in satisfying jobs in repair and the small-scale manufacture of long-lasting products.

Admittedly, shifting to labor-intensive, low-impact technologies would probably not solve the unemployment problem. If we were producing and buying a lot less, we just wouldn't have as much work to do. The solution is to set up tax incentives, or even requirements, so that employers provide more part-time work. Right now, most part-time work is dull, pays low hourly rates, and has few benefits. It's almost impossible to have a career part-time. Wouldn't millions of workers, even now, jump at the chance to work only 4 hours a day or 6 months a year? Sure, they'd make less (even if part-time work paid better), but they'd have a better life. In the future, with lower income taxes and less incentive to buy things, even more workers would take advantage of such a plan. It isn't a law of nature that a person has to have a full-time job for his or her whole adult life. Many people are working full time only because they have no attractive alternative and are caught up in buying a lot of stuff they don't really need.

The more you think about a sustainable economy, the more its parts seem internally consistent and able to solve the problems that may arise. And we would have more to do than sit around being saintly. Instead of riding around in our cars, shopping, and grabbing fast food amidst sprawling overdevelopment, we'd stay home more. With extra time, many of us would garden; we'd cook real food; we'd play; we'd talk to our friends. If we went somewhere, it would be an occasion. We'd travel by train or bicycle and we'd enjoy it. You get the idea. Really the only *hard* thing people would have to do is to first decide to make change a goal.

Once you make a tough decision, you leave a lot of problems behind. For example, once we decided to pull out of the Vietnam War, our decisions about how to leave efficiently were much simpler than the scheming during the conflict. Likewise, in a sustainable economy, we wouldn't have to worry about things like fine-tuning short-term interest rates to spur growth.

A few people have already made change toward sustainability their goal. As more people do so and attitudinal thresholds are crossed, changes and breakthroughs can come quickly. It can happen—look at the way in which cultural attitudes toward cigarettes and ivory have changed.

Of course, any revolution in lifestyle would go against some centuries-old trends. We've long had a linear view of progress and have become increasingly fixated on change and newness for their own sake. And the incredible past abundance of resources and virgin land in America has only encouraged our extravagance, which has been passed down, by example, through the generations. We still live as though we have unlimited resources and as though the Earth can absorb unlimited punishment. Think of the environmental time bombs we've already planted. Think, for example, of those "convenient" spray cans, whose propellants, we later learned, destroyed the ozone layer. We can be sure that there are a lot more such unpleasant discoveries waiting for our children and grandchildren.

But change is inevitable, for soon nature will force us to pursue a simpler lifestyle. Improved technologies may postpone the day of reckoning a little, but they cannot make up for our overconsumption, much less the growth of it. If we continue to grow, we'll soon reach a point where many technologies would have to defy the laws of thermodynamics in order to hold pollution at today's level. And, obviously, no technology can defuse the environmental time bombs. Wouldn't it be better if we admitted our problems now and took control of our future? If we deny and procrastinate, we may find that the "transition" imposed by nature is swift and traumatic. The only thing unrealistic about a sustainable economy is our present reluctance to go toward it.

Who would have predicted a century ago that affluence would bring polluted suburban development filled with dissatisfied people? Surely, this is not what we want for our children and grandchildren. Surely, this, or this on a larger scale, is not our ultimate destiny.

In *Muddling Toward Frugality*, Warren Johnson describes a destiny we can, and perhaps must, work toward: *Above all, it can be a good life. In effect, we will be exchanging the grand achievements of large-scale technological society for modest accomplishments on a more human scale. We will once again be part of mankind's great journey, no longer set apart from it and seeking to manipulate it like technological gods. We will regain a degree of stability that will permit the deepening of culture and the enrichment of lives lived simply. Above all, we will have the comfort of knowing that our relationship with the environment is sustainable, and that the earth is a true home to us.*

This was the last installment of Peter Kelly's three part series on consumption

Student Assembly members respond to reporting inaccuracies

To the Editor:

In response to the article entitled, "Charges of Improper Conduct Abound After Student Assembly Budget Allocation," in April 21 issue of the *Spectator*, we the undersigned would like to clarify and comment on this article.

Frederick E. A. Bush, '96, Class Treasurer

First, I would like to clarify the point made that states "Robert's Rules of Order stipulates that members may not vote on issues on which they have a conflict of interest." Nowhere does Robert's Rules make such a statement. Robert's does, however, suggest that one abstain from voting if one determines that his/her voting would be swayed due to bias. Furthermore, Robert's states, "No member should vote on a question in which he has a direct personal or pecuniary interest not common to other members of the organization." The second correction I would make is the statement that the Class of 1995 acted improperly by using an amendment to increase its funding by $2,900. In fact, I made the amendment.

Second, I believe that there was a conflict of interest when the Senior Class Representatives voted. I refute the argument that the Senior Class acted solely in the representative capacity and will illustrate by drawing an analogy. If legislation comes to the floor [of any deliberative body] involving benefits to be allocated to a party other than one with which a specific Representative is involved, the aforementioned Representative can vote objectively because the vote does not directly and specifically benefit the Representative. However, let us suppose that a vote comes to the floor regarding a specific party's benefits, this specific party, if represented on the deliberative body, should abstain because this is a direct conflict of interest. Emphasis is placed on "should" because one cannot prevent another from voting. I allege that the affirmative-voting Senior Class Representatives had a direct conflict of interest because there was an interest uncommon to other members of the Assembly. Even though the Senior Representatives may have been acting in a representative capacity, a conflict of interest did exist (in my opinion).

Third, the Student Assembly has a set procedure that allows organizations or classes to request additional funding from the Assembly. This procedure was circumvented when the Campus Activities Board (CAB) designee legally made an amendment to the proposed budget. The Senior Class did not circumvent the procedure, because they did not make an amendment. It should be understood there are loopholes that members of the Assembly tend to use to their advantage.

Fourth, there is confusion about what capacity I was serving when answering the questions. I was answering them as Fred Bush, Hamilton College student, not Class Treasurer and not the Chair of the Constitution Project Team. Furthermore, the Constitution Project Team is addressing the "conflict of interest" issue and I cannot single-handedly, as Chair, overturn Robert's Rules as the article propounds.

Fifth, I will reiterate what I have stated several times already, but I want to make sure that it is clear. This was my opinion, not the Assembly consensus, as suggested by the use of the intransitive verb "abound," which means great in number or amount." While it is highly flattering that you would consider my charges and allegations great in number or amount, it is fallacious.

In summary, first, I believe the Senior Class voting on the final request to increase funding, was a direct conflict of interest. Second, loopholes, though not illegal to exercise, do exist. Finally and briefly, Robert's Rules does not stipulate voting when you have a conflict of interest as Improper Conduct. I would welcome anyone who has questions regarding my opinion to please contact me at x0435.

Jared H. Bowling '96, Vice President of the Student Assembly

I would like to begin by expressing my grievous disappointment with the aforementioned *Spectator* article. For the second consecutive week an article has been published without obtaining accurate information concerning the Student Assembly's unprofessional procedures. Considering the responsibilities and obligations to the Central Council, as well as the community, that my position entails, I am insulted that I have not been contacted by a member of *The Spectator* staff regarding these two articles. I have a responsibility to the students, administration and the Board of Trustees to answer for the actions of the Student Assembly. The content of the article was derogatory to the Assembly, the body to which I answer as an executive officer. It is difficult to do my job if untruths are published concerning the business of the Assembly.

I contend that the articles were written unprofessionally. The April 21 article expressed the view of one member of the Central Council. In no way does the opinion of one member accurately represent the view of the entire assembly. I do not agree with Fred Bush's opinion that the affirmative-voting Class of '95 representatives acted improperly. It is my opinion that these members represented the interests and the views of their constituency to the best of their abilities. Furthermore, the allocation of the money to the Senior Class passed easily by twelve votes, and would have with or without the affirmative-voting Senior Class Representatives. The vote substantiates the view of the majority of the assembly that the senior class deserved

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EDITORIALS

Terror in Oklahoma City

Seldom are national events so tragic and disturbing as last week's bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. Though *Spectator* Editorials generally do not focus upon events lacking direct Hamilton connections, the Oklahoma City events warrant exception. Since feelings of fear and vulnerability naturally arise after a disaster of this magnitude, the tragedy and horror continue to haunt the minds of many, even those of us well removed from the incident.

Our hearts go out to the thousands of victims and to the family members, loved ones, and friends. Though more than a week has gone by since the bombing, the painful wounds inflicted by their losses have not yet begun to heal. Months, and even years, may pass before they, and the nation recover from the shock and horror caused by this massacre on an unprecedented scale.

Those guilty of committing this abhorrent act must me brought to swift justice and subjected to the greatest penalties permissible under the law.

From the bombing, we learn several lessons, some of them painful and others valuable. Coming little more than two years after the World Trade Center Bombing in New York City, the Oklahoma City tragedy reminds us that America is no longer invulnerable to terrorism. More frightening yet, the atrocity was committed not by a foreign terrorist organization with deep-seeded hatred of America, but by our own citizens. Until recently, few would have imagined that some members of our society are angry and discontent to the point that they would engage in such acts of mass terror.

As we learn more about the events leading to the tragedy, distressing evidence has come to light about the growing ranks of far-right extremist groups. Though their right to preach hatred and spread anti-government propaganda is protected by the Constitution under the First Amendment, their beliefs should be protested by mainstream society. Though we cannot silence them, their rhetoric and ideals should be recognized for what they are, and must not be allowed to enter the realm of acceptable ideas. If they do, we can be certain to face more future tragedies like the one in Oklahoma City.

Why not hold Commencement outdoors?

Hamilton has long touted the physical beauty of its campus, the pleasant outdoor atmosphere, and in the late spring, even the good weather. It should come as a surprise then, that year after year, Commencement continues to be held inside the dark, cavernous Margaret Bundy Scott Fieldhouse.

A vast majority of colleges and universities across the nation hold their graduation ceremonies outdoors, where participants can enjoy the relaxed, non-confining atmosphere. Hamilton should do the same. If the weather threatens the events (though it has not for the last several years), the Fieldhouse can serve as an alternate site. Though Commencement is an enjoyable event for everyone, it would be even better if it were held outdoors.

Please see additional editorial at right.

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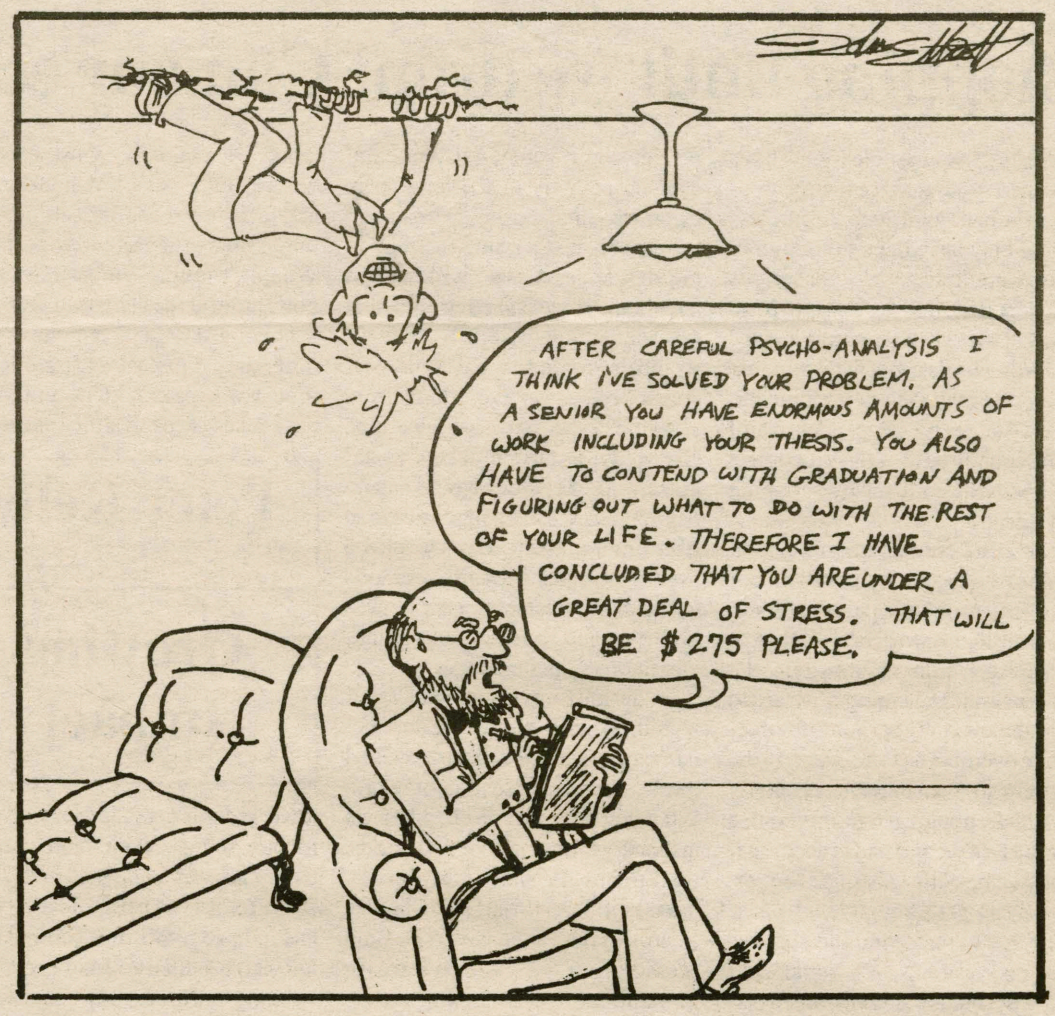
AFTER CAREFUL PSYCHO-ANALYSIS I THINK I'VE SOLVED YOUR PROBLEM. AS A SENIOR YOU HAVE ENORMOUS AMOUNTS OF WORK INCLUDING YOUR THESIS. YOU ALSO HAVE TO CONTEND WITH GRADUATION AND FIGURING OUT WHAT TO DO WITH THE REST OF YOUR LIFE. THEREFORE I HAVE CONCLUDED THAT YOU ARE UNDER A GREAT DEAL OF STRESS. THAT WILL BE $275 PLEASE.

Spectator Editorial Board supports Editor-in-Chief

We, the Editorial Board of *The Spectator*, would like to address the allegations recently made by Student Assembly Vice-President Jared Bowling, the Class of '95 President, Tracee Plowell, and Class of '96 Representative Andy Singer against our Editor-in-Chief, Gabriel Meyer '96. Charging that Gabe had included faulty information on two separate occasions and published an article biased against the Student Assembly, these students brought him before the Publications Board on charges of unprofessional behavior.

On behalf of Gabe, the staff would like to attest to the professional and meticulous behavior with which he pursues each news story as well as his attention to following policy. In compliance with *Spectator* policy, we have included a correction in this issue and apologize for the mistakes. Nonetheless, Gabe received his information directly from Student Assembly members and, therefore, can hardly be blamed for his article's inaccuracy.

Of particular concern to the staff as a whole is the Student Assembly's attempt to stifle the reporting of *The Spectator* by pursuing this matter through the legal channels of the Publications Board. This procedure should clearly be reserved for cases of serious misconduct such as libel, defamation of character or plagiarism. The offense in question, the inclusion of two small factual errors, in no way approaches this level of gravity.

We would not go so far as to suggest that these Student Assembly members were acting simply on strictly personal grounds. In the future, however, they should carefully consider simply writing a letter to the Letters and Op-Ed Section instead of resorting to such potentially drastic and harmful measures. For these small mistakes, a truly competent editor could have lost his voluntary job.

The Spectator staff would like to make a special point of thanking the Publications Board for recognizing the inappropriate nature of the allegations and defending our right to report the news. As the Board suggested, we will be even more careful and thorough with our news articles in the future. We hope that this matter will end here and that we can look forward to continuing our committment to the Hamilton community.

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Letters to the Editor

Administration uses unfair weather tactics

To the editor:

The weather at Hamilton, as everyone knows, sucks! That's the only way to describe it. However, somehow on prospective students' day it is always great. If the prospectives decided to stick around for a couple of days and participate in the activities of spring weekend, the non-alcohol related functions, of course, they would have seen rainy grey skies, and people hanging out in a muddy mess drinking beer and trying to have a good time. I admit my fun was not ruined by the weather, but I think everybody would have had a better time if we could have been tossing the frisbee in shorts and a t-shirt instead of a jacket and gloves.

I actually do have a point in this letter, one of great concern to me. It is painfully obvious that the administration, behind our backs, has some kind of deal going with mother nature. It's nice out when they try to get people to come here, but when the tuition paying students want to have a good time, they are going to have to deal with dark skies and a perpetual cold drizzle. Another example of the administration's weather scheming is parent's weekend. I have told my parents for four years how crappy it is up here. Then, when they visited this past fall, the combination of the sunshine and color of the leaves made for an ideal fall setting. Ideal, but atypical for the greater Utica area. For the parents, or the bill payers, the administration goes all out.

I hope that you all can see that my point is an obvious one. I also think it is time something is done about it. I only have a couple more weeks on the hill, and I'm too busy playing golf, so I'm leaving it up to the other classes to take action. I recommend something extreme, yet passive. If nothing is done about it, I don't care, because I won't be here. But, in the future, do all you students really want snow in April and miserable "Spring" weekends? I wouldn't.

Peter Nintcheff '95

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Assembly heads address suggestions of incompetence

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the increase in funds.

Last week's article lacks knowledge of the long and drawn out process involved in the decision to allocate $5,000 to the Class of '95 for Senior Week. If the author decided to write an article, and not an editorial, he would have included the history, deliberation, miscommunication and misunderstandings between and among the Funding Committee, the Central Council and the Class of '95 concerning the request. It also failed to present the reasons behind sending the budget back into the Funding Committee to be reworked. Maybe all of the facts would have made the article less interesting, but it would have at least made its content accurate.

In order to write an article concerning the logistics of parliamentary procedure one should have greater knowledge about Robert's Rules than a quick summary of the 300 page book. Robert's Rules are "guidelines to parliamentary procedure," not concrete rules of conducting business. These rules allow individuals to make decisions for themselves. It is the responsibility of the voting members of the Assembly to make these decisions. It is not the responsibility of any other member to determine if a colleague has a conflict of interest, nor can the chair restrict a member's voting rights due to a conflict of interest. In no way does the opinion of one member imply that "Charges of improper conduct abound after Student Assembly budget reallocation." The article addresses that only Fred Bush charges the Senior Representatives with acting improperly.

I suggest that in the future when articles are written about any student organization, the author properly research the subject and question those involved before passing it off as fact. The articles expressed the biased views and opinions of the author, not the facts of the situations. If you want to write an editorial, then write an editorial. Do not write an editorial and pass it off as campus news. Actions such as these not only undermine the Student Assembly, but discredit *The Spectator* and the author as credible news sources.

Marcus L. Johnson '97, Central Council Treasurer

I would like to state that I believe and agree that there were problems with the funding process this semester. However, I believe that Gabe Meyer's article completely missed the reasons behind why these problems took place.

In the past, the report of the funding and budget committee has been very vague. It was quite common for the Treasurer to present a table of figures and recommended allocations with no explanation of the figures at all. Members, of the Assembly would attempt to question the Treasurer, but their knowledge base would be so lacking they would be powerless to debate.

When I took the office of Treasurer I wanted to change this established practice and let all of the members of the Student Assembly know exactly what was going on behind the closed doors of the funding and budget committee. I started this process by submitting with the budget a line by line explanation of what groups were allocated money and why. It did not take long for the Assembly, when presented with the information of what was occurring within the funding and budget committee, to raise many valid objections. I can definitely state that as a previous member of the funding committee and as the present Treasurer that nothing had changed with how the committee conducted business. Therefore, the objections that the Assembly has made to the budget process should have existed for years, but their ignorance of the situation precluded any change. Now, the funding and budget committee, which realizes problems exist with their procedure, has started to take steps to remedy the situation. An example of this is the current process of writing funding codes. These, when completed, will act as a guideline to ensure more accountability from the committee. While the article was right in stating that problems have occurred, an obvious lack of research into the issues resulted an article that covered only half of the story. Clearly the fundamental reasons for the problems stemmed from an attempt to create positive change.

I would also like to take this opportunity to concur with Jared Bowling's sentiments that he was not contacted by *The Spectator* on any of the past articles dealing with the Student Assembly. Let it be known that I, the Treasurer of the Student Assembly, was not contacted to give a statement concerning an article dealing with Student Assembly funding.

Andrew C. Edelson '97 President of the Student Assembly

As stated above, there has been several problems with The *Spectator's* conduct. I agree with

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Multiculturalism threatens to homogenize humanity

To the editor:

I have encountered a great deal of difficulty, most recently, in trying to define multiculturalism and its role on the college campus. From Webster's Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary, culture is defined as "the integrated pattern of human knowledge, belief, and behavior that depends upon man's capacity for learning and transmitting knowledge to succeeding generations." At first glance, this look quite confusing. It probably looks confusing at a second glance.

Is it possible to have an academic program at Hamilton College that accurately exposes students to many integrated patterns of human knowledge, beliefs, and behaviors without the risk of stereotyping a group of individuals? This group of individuals, chances are, have at least a few fundamental disagreements regarding some knowledge, belief, or behavior among its members. Does everyone in Portugal have a Portuguese culture? Do all Roman Catholics have the same beliefs and behaviors? Do two individuals of any race, religion, or nationality have the same culture?

I ask these questions to allow people to define their own knowledge, beliefs, and behaviors and then try to classify it within a particular culture. This is not a trivial task if the goal is to say, "Hello, I'm John Doe and I belong to this culture." Of course, there are particular "trends" within a group of people. Suppose that a massive survey of South Korea reveals that 60% of the population believe in capital punishment, 57% attend religious services on a daily basis, and 79 % believes that education outside the home is irrelevant. With what information would this provide us? The answer is nothing more than a statistic. To state that South Korea culture relies on strict crime punishment, for example, would be inaccurate.

Trends and percentages are fine and should be provided to those who desire such information. There is no need for massive categorization and grouping of individuals based on percentages, for individuality disappears instantly. Certainly categorization, in this manner, cannot remain the most efficient way to, as stated in the 1994-95 Hamilton College Catalogue, "make students aware of the diversity of the human condition and of assumptions about social realtions, power, and authority, and a world view connected with their sociocultural heritage." Without question, there exist courses which state assumptions about social relations, power, and authority, and world view. Do Hamilton's cultural diversity requirements truly make students aware of individual diversity? Or does it run the risk of stereotyping from group to group?

During one of my classes here at Hamilton, a student mentioned that Hamilton might better have courses that survey the knowledge, beliefs, and behaviors of the individuals taking the course. What better way is there to experience diversity than to experience it directly from the horse's mouth? Sure, go ahead and make individual comparisons. But do not, under any circumstances, say that a group of people have the same knowledge, beliefs, and behaviors. That remains impossible! I question the need to group people religiously, geographically, racially, etc. in order to label a group as having a certain culture. Now is the time to redefine multiculturalism or get rid of the word altogether.

Michael Parker '95

Former Student Assembly President advocates more constructive debate

To the editor:

This article is not intended to be an attack, but a personal observation. It is my hope that it is treated as such. However, I do hope that this article inspires constructive debate in order to ultimately produce positive change.

For the past two weeks, there has been a host of disheartening articles concerning Student Assembly in the *Spectator*. Many of these articles have focused on the problems within Student Assembly and very few have offered solutions. As an ex-officio member of Student Assembly, I am saddened at the finger pointing and lack of respect in an organization that has a vested interest in voicing student concerns.

The ideals of Student Assembly are no different than those in the past. The individuals who serve are still committed to student interests and the betterment of the Hamilton community. However, as with any organization, individuals have their own ideas on how best to serve. Some members choose to serve the interests of their constituency. Others decide to only represent their own selfish interests. For better or for worse, this is a reality that embraces organizations, companies, and our very own United States government.

It bothers me that an organization that epitomizes student representation has succumbed to this reality. The Assembly has always dealt with its diversity by acknowledging this "multiplicity of interests." Each year committees and project teams are chosen in order to serve these interests. Through organized incentives members work to achieve a common unified goal. The result has been a vast number of Student Assembly contributions. Accomplishments such as the NBT machine in Beinecke, Pub Night, Sibling Weekend, Community Conference Committee, a new parking policy, expanding the meal plan, and many more campus additions have occurred because of student initiatives orchestrated by Student Assembly.

Therefore, I am bothered that people believe that the Assembly is not the "place to voice the issues and effect the kind of change needed." Even more depressing is to have individuals believe that "a pattern of apathy and intimidation within the Student Assembly has paralyzed the body." During my years as Vice-President and then President of the Student Assembly, I never found this to be the case.

I contend that individuals on the Assembly are too eager to bow down to the grueling responsibilities of governing. Instead of dealing with the issues internally, some members choose to publicly accuse each other of wrong doing. The *Spectator* is a wonderful conduit to voice student concerns through intellectual discourse, but when it is used to attack a person or a group rather than the issue its true purpose becomes negated. I don't believe the members have begun to use the *Spectator* in this way yet. However, I find that the Assembly will only further divide itself if members spend more time expressing discontent in the *Spectator* than in addressing the issues internally. This will only prove to be counterproductive to the goals of the organization. As we all know, the solutions to the Assembly's problems can best be found in constructive debate among its members and not in debasing editorials in the *Spectator*.

There has never been a more monumental time for the Assembly to create change and contribute to the Hamilton community. The Assembly has remained strong over the years by recognizing its weaknesses, but more importantly; it has succeeded only by embracing its strengths. The organization must begin to build on its ideals and unify behind its commitment to re-building a "New Hamilton." The time to act is now. The choice to lead is a must.

McLloyd Onwubere '95

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Platforms of candidates for Student Assembly

Assembly Elections will be held on Thursday, May 4

Class of 1996 Platforms

Honor Court Representatives:
No platforms submitted

Judicial Board Representatives:

Andy Singer

Juniors, when we came to Hamilton they changed the alcohol policy and altered the social life that we all thought we would enjoy when we applied to Hamilton. Now, as we enter our Senior year, the college is again altering our social lives, and again it is for the worse. I want to have fun my Senior year, but not by these new rules. These are not the rules I agreed to abide by when I matriculated. Elect Andy Singer for J-Board Representative.

Class Treasurer:

Whitney Ashbridge

After a productive year serving as Representative, I would like to serve as Senior Class Treasurer/Secretary. I have coordinated and participated in all of the Junior Class Fundraisers. I have great ideas and endless enthusiasm for next year. It is my goal, as is President-elect Fred Bush's to make Senior Formal and Senior Week ticket prices affordable. As Treasurer/Secretary, it will be my responsibility to solicit class input and feedback. I feel this is crucial for a successful and memorable senior year. Questions? Feel free to contact me anytime at X0256. Thank you.

Class Representatives:

Kelly Overton

Over the last three years, I have shown extreme dedication to our class. I was Class Representative for two years and am currently Class President. This year, we have done extensive fundraising which will allow us to enter our Senior year with confidence. I am very enthusiastic about our last year here on the Hill. Please allow me to help make it our best year yet.

Matt Outten

My name is Kelly Overton and I am writing on behalf of Matt who is studying in Spain for the semester. I have worked closely with Matt for the past two and a half years. As our previous Class Treasurer, he has proven himself to be a very responsible and motivated individual. He has been the creator of many of our fundraisers over the years and I am confidant that he will fulfill this role next year as well. In my opinion, Matt's hard work and enthusiasm are two things our class should not be without.

Class of 1997 Platforms

Honor Court Representatives:

Casey Williams

We are at a pivotal point in Hamilton's history, where it is important that we march forward rather than fall behind in academic reputation. As an active community member, I am dedicated to upholding Hamilton's academic standard as an outstanding liberal arts college. I am a trustworthy and concerned student, who is committed to pursuing and maintaining the academic standards of the college as your Honor Court Representative. To ensure our academic careers and our future with Hamilton, vote for Casey Williams for 1997 Honor Court Representative.

Joanne Legler

I would like to represent the Class of 1997 on the Honor Court. I have a strong commitment to the ideals of Hamilton College and I feel that I can make a difference. Vote for Joanne Legler, Honor Court.

Judicial Board Representatives:

Jason Kingsbury

A friend of mine recently brought to my attention the discouragement that exists among members of the college surrounding the performance of the Judicial Board. I would like the opportunity to represent our class and be a positive influence on the administration of the Board. If elected, I will strive to be an open-minded and impartial representative, taking into account my own position and experiences as a student in order to evaluate social situations effectively and appropriately.

Andrew Camacho

Unfortunately since last year our class has lost much of it's unity and has faced some difficult times. As a representative for both our class and the Judicial board I would like to help our class reestablish it's **unity**, and to see that **"fair justice"** is served during this new era at Hamilton.

I am currently a Class Representative, and last year I was the Judicial Board Representative, therefore I have decided to run for both positions. I have the qualifications for the jobs and therefore would greatly appreciate the chance to serve our class once more. Thanks! **-A.C.**

Class Treasurer:
No platforms submitted

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Class of 1998 Platforms

Honor Court Representatives:

Kevin M. Russell

One of the few principles that has remained constant at Hamilton College is the honor and integrity in which this institution is built upon. If elected to a position on the Honor Court, I will strive to uphold this tradition, yet make decisions appropriate for our rapidly changing campus. Furthermore, I will work diligently to create a community that is unified, proud, and aware of their rights under the Honor Code. Thank you.

Marie Follayttar

Hi, I'm Marie Follayttar and I'm running for re-election as your Honor Court Representative. Over the past year I have learned that the Honor Code is an effective instrument at Hamilton. But I want to make sure that the judgements are just. My experience leaves me with even more resolve to uphold these principles. Next year when the court is under new leadership, my experience will only serve to aid new members in making the grueling decisions. It's your problems that I'll be dealing with, and I'll deal with them well. Please re-elect me next Wednesday.

Judicial Board Representatives:

Michael Reilly

As we embrace the new community, we will need aggressive leaders to decide what is best for our Hamilton. New polices will be implemented and our leaders will have to interpret these policies in a different system. The judicial thought process must be more thorough, and its members need to be concerned and informed leaders. I am running for the Class of 1998's Judicial Board position on the political experience that I gained as a Class Representative in the Student Assembly. I will use my judgement and apply my policy development skills to work for a stronger future.

Niisha Butler

I am qualified for the job because of my previous experiences on the Judicial Board and my strong views for a just society. As the current Judicial Board Representative for the class of 98, I have ensured that the rights' of students have been preserved and protected. I have also ensured that the students' perspective are always recognized and expressed at hearings and deliberations.

If re-elected, I will continue to perform my duties as Judicial Board

Representative with fairness and open-mindness. Therefore, if you want a representative who is honest, responsible and has experience, vote for Niisha Butler.

Class Treasurer:

Ali Hilaly

Treasurers exist to raise money for the class and spend it to benefit the entire class. The treasurer also has the role of informing and involving the whole class. This will be a by-product of my fund raising efforts. Treasurers are also representatives. Having been on the assembly before, anyone who has seen me there knows my class is my first priority. My greatest issue is the way the administration has walks over us. As the Treasurer of our class, I will do my best to prevent this from happening, and push for our agenda.

Class Representatives:

Laurel Bookman

After serving a year as a representative to our class, I have been busy. Serving on the food service bid committee, the election committee and the task force, I have been exposed to several aspects of the Hamilton community. Last time, I wrote about Pooh Bear being stuck in a rabbit hole. Well, the first year class has started to pull Pooh out of this hole, but he's not out yet and he needs help. We need an increase in student involvement so we are all pulling together. So let's get moving!

James C. Eisenberg

I believe that the single most important function of any class official is to provide strong, consistent representation of the ideas and concerns of the Class. I therefore feel that it would be imperative that I, if elected, present the views of the students in an accurate and unbiased manner.

As I have consistently stated, in this time of great change we, the students, need to take a more active role in the governing of our institution, specifically in the realm of legislation which directly affect us. I pledge to make our voice heard as we enter a new era

Betsy Katcher

Elections are upon us again and it's time to elect someone who'll represent the Class of 1998 the best. As your freshman class representative, I have had the experience, organization, and energy that was needed to get the job done right. Want to see this type of devotion continued? Elect Betsy Katcher for your sophomore representative. In the fall, I promised you that I'd make our voices be heard. This promise was met and still stands for next year. Cast your vote for me, Betsy Katcher, and I promise to maintain my commitment to represent you, the Class of 1998.

Mary B. Dias

I wish to represent our class in Student Assembly next year. As a member of BLSU, ISA, Newman Council, IVCF, and many other programs, I have actively participated in a wide variety of campus activities during the past year.

I strongly believe in student participation in the organizing and decision making of our college. My goal is to help facilitate as many improvements as possible at Hamilton. If you share this goal please vote for me. If elected, I will carry out my duties with perseverance and dedication.

Appeals Board Platforms

Justin. J. Harberson

Hello, my name is Justin Harberson. As a member of the Appeals Board during this past year I have gained valuable experience. I hope that I can use my knowledge and insights to serve as member of Appeals Board for another year. Please vote Harberson!

Student Assembly calls for more responsible journalism

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almost everything that is stated above, so there is no need to discuss, in great detail, my displeasure with the aforementioned articles.

Articles in the News section have one purpose: report the facts. Opinions should be welcome in any newspaper, but there is a section for that, and when the Editor writes an opinionated article, it is called an editorial, or an op-ed, not a news story.

Another problem with this article was that the author failed to check the facts or quotes. Shortly into the article I was quoted saying, "It's turned out to be a handful of people who want to play by the rules." I did say this, and I do not wish to retract this statement, but it was taken completely out of context. No rules were directly broken concerning the relevant topic. This quote referred to the actions of the entire Assembly, including myself, throughout the semester.

I also have a problem with the statement, "Roberts Rules of Order stipulates that members my not vote on issues in which they have a conflict of interest." My co-authors have explained the flaw in this statement very thoroughly, so there is no need for me to repeat them; Robert's merely states that one *should,* not **must**, abstain when there is a conflict of interest.

I do believe that the Senior Class should not have voted, but this is what I believe. This is not what is explicitly stated in Robert's Rules of Order, nor in our Constitution. This is a personal belief. This, however, is not the instance I wish to dwell on.

Both the Campus Activities Board and the Class of 1995 (along with every other organization that sits on the Assembly) receive special privileges. Instead of using the normal appeals process, for example, both CAB and the Class of 1995 experienced special treatment. Instead of following the normal appeals process, both organizations received special appeals treatment. Though this may not sound like a major problem, it can very easily lead to a crisis. Imagine if every student organization has at least one vote on the Assembly. Then, if each group was displeased with their recommended allocation, they could amend the budget without proceeding through the normal appeals process. If this occurs, the Student Assembly would have negative figures within the first few weeks of September (Fall '94 requests surpassed one hundred fifty thousand). Obviously we can't fund all of these requests, so where do we draw the line? We have to stop this problem before it even begins. No organization, regardless of its representation on the Central Council, should be granted special appeals privileges. This is my major problem with that meeting.

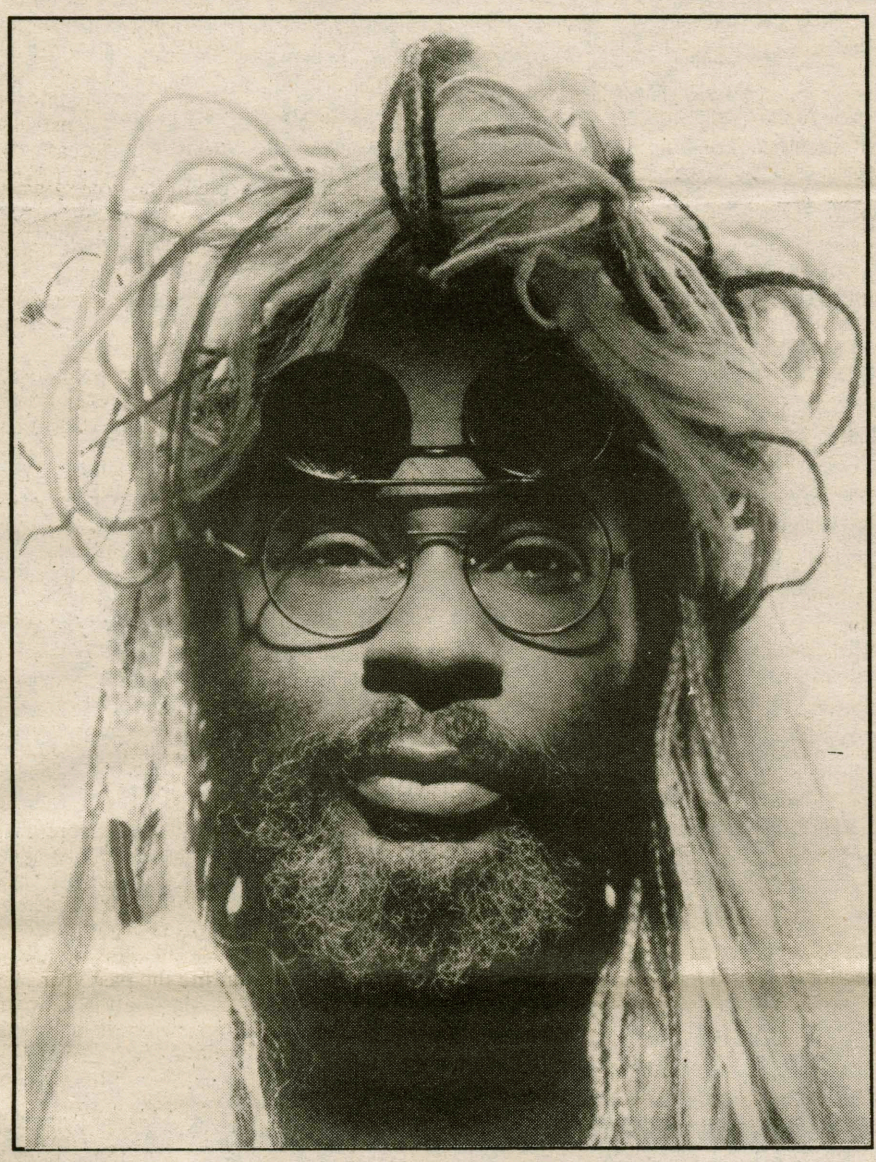
We all have to understand that each of us makes mistakes. No one should expect anyone else to be perfect. However, when we make a mistake, we must be held accountable.

We the undersigned are displeased with the manner in which the Student Assembly has been portrayed in the recent *Spectator* articles. We affirm that the opinions of individuals is not the opinion of the entire Assembly. However, the diversity of opinion among the members of the Central Council is necessary in order to maintain an internal system of checks and balances. The mission of the Student Assembly is to provide representation for the students of Hamilton College. A broad range of backgrounds and interests are represented by Student Assembly. We hope that Spectator articles will begin to portray the diversity of opinion among our members. Biased articles cannot do justice to the time and effort that goes into our deliberations.

Frederick E.A. Bush '96
Jared H. Bowling '96
Marcus L. Johnson '97
Andrew C. Edelson '97

The P-Funk Thang

BY DAVID TOWNSEND '97
A&E EDITOR



On the road back from a string of shows in Ohio, the Parliafunkadelicment Thang came about. It was a concept that combined two bands, the Parliaments and Funkadelic, into a single wacked out and funked up group of weirdos named P-Funk. They have a sound like no other, combining rock and funk with the lyrics of their equally bizarre lead singer, George Clinton. They will bring all the funk in the world to the Fieldhouse this Saturday at 9:00. Tickets are $5 for students, $10 if your not, and $10 if you forget to buy them ahead of time and have to pay the extra at the door. Costumes are required, remember, "Free your mind, and your ass will follow."

The history of George Clinton and the P-Funk All-stars is, as a Funkadelic album cover says, "the most convoluted, complex and rich in popular music history. It's the tale of a group of doowop wannabes in the 50's that mutated into funkster supremes in the 1970's. It's the story of nascent black rock, copious quantities of LSD, unorthodox business arrangements, and a seemingly endless and mellifluous creative well-spring. Finally, it's an eclectic, ever-evolving musical odyssey that has proved to be light years ahead of its time."

The music is hard and fun and loud; heart and soul go into the music, and much more comes out. Dancing is not an option at a concert like this, it is an requirement, for it is a time for your booty to sweat, and your mind to breathe. This concert should not be missed by anyone. When you come, come in a crazed sense of mind and body, come dressed for cosmic success in anythang you got, and be ready for George Clinton and the P-Funk All-stars to "Tear the roof off the sucker"

The triumphant return from exile of Bobby Peru

BY DAVID TOWNSEND '97
A&E EDITOR

It's been a long time since he has made a public appearance, but Bobby Peru is returning from a self imposed exile in the highlands of western Bolivia and performing for the good of all law-abiding and non-law-abiding students of Hamilton College. The concert will begin at **9:00 on Tuesday, May 2nd, in the Pub in Bristol.**

The exile was an attempt to "return to the heart of Bobby," as member Andy Scully termed it. "There is something that we had gotten away from in our past shows, something intangible, but very noticeable." Bobby Peru has always prided itself as being a group of people guided by a blend of spirituality and creativity. "When we perform, those things need to shine through. The creative spirit is Bobby, and if that isn't there, then we can't perform, at least we couldn't call ourselves Bobby. And if we can't do that, what would be the point?" asks John Elliot. The past months have been difficult for the group, and the lack of appearances have reflected that. Some attribute the difficulties to the loss of members after the fall semester. Marc Campbell, Brett Straten and Jen Walsh all went reluctantly on to other pursuits while the rest of Bobby stayed on to continue the tradition.

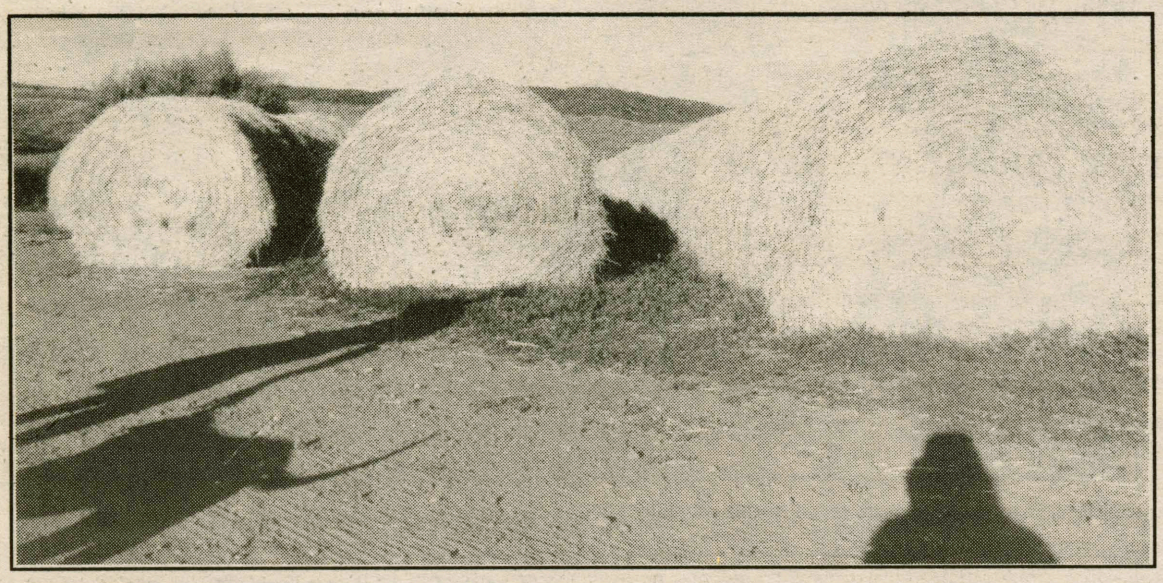
Nat Faxon says, "In Bobby, like any family, when you lose members it's difficult to adjust and continue on, but it is something that must be done."

"Personally, I think those guys leaving helped us out, they weren't that good anyway," whispers Greg O'Connell, "but don't print that."

The exile to Bolivia over the past month has helped Bobby regroup. They were able to interact on a level completely different from the rock star lifestyle they live while on campus. "It gets crazy sometimes, show after show, night after night. It's hard to keep up." says Karen Weber, "I think some of us were getting burned out." Rumors abounded before the exile of members snorting coffee grounds before they went on stage, just so they could get through the show. While members deny any coffee use, they have said that any problems that they had are now behind them, and that they are looking towards the future.

Bobby Peru

Jess Godfrey said, "Bolivia gave us a much needed break. It allowed us to return to ourselves and what we really want to do. We ate, we drank, we laughed and we cried. It was intense, relaxed and interesting all at the same time. We got to know Bobby better than we ever have before. We all needed it." They needed it, and you need it. The Bobby Peru Comedy Troupe in the Pub, Tuesday at 9:00.



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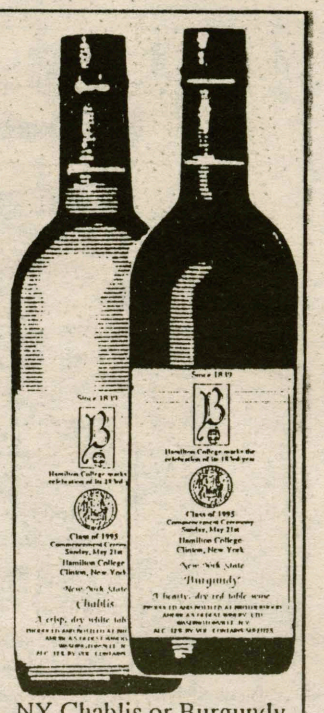

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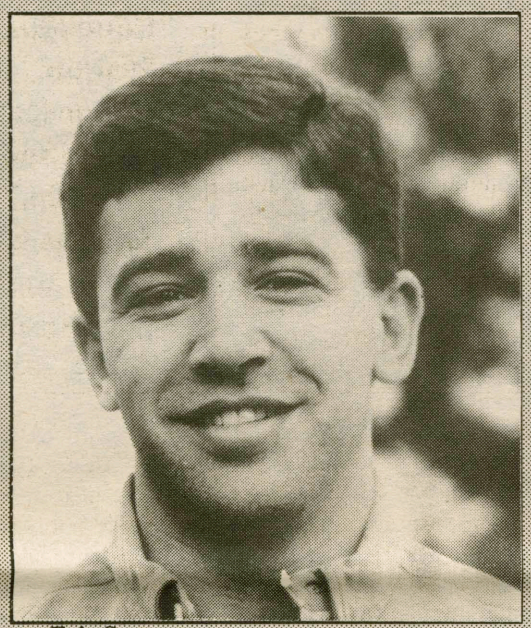
article pick

Eric Sussman

BY DAVID TOWNSEND '97
A&E EDITOR

If I had to leave Hamilton, and my long hibernation in the make-believe land of upstate New York, It would be nice to have a send-off party that would honor my accomplishments in my four short years on the Hill. Eric Sussman is throwing that party for himself. On Saturday, April 29, at 8:00 he will perform his senior recital in the Events Barn. "I see this as the culmination of my saxophone career at Hamilton. It really would be great if the place was packed!" The performance will include jazz, a little funk, and some latin tunes played by Eric on sax and an assortment of professional musicians, including the Dr. Mike Woods on base guitar. The concert is free and open to the public.



Eric Sussman

"I chose to focus mostly on jazz because it gives me an opportunity to express myself, more than any other type of music. Usually when someone plays jazz, they will go into a concert knowing the basic tune to play, but most of what you hear is all improv. That is where I can fully express myself through the music."

In this concert Eric will be playing with musicians from New York City and Utica. When asked if this was going to be difficult to improvise some of the music with people he doesn't play with on a regular basis he said, "Well, we will have one practice before we play, but mostly it's just a feel. I might make eye contact once in a while, but usually you just know what the other person is doing, or going to do, by listening to what they're playing."

His time at Hamilton has been spent in a number of different musical groups. Last year he played with the campus band Mission Impossible and this year finds himself in the Hamilton College Orchestra and several jazz groups, including the Jazz Ensemble.

After Hamilton, Eric plans to take his government major and go on to law school, either at Cornell or UConn. He hopes that his work in music will not end. "I plan to make my sax playing more of a hobby than anything else. It is such a great tension release. Some people will play golf, I'll play the sax."

Eric has put tremendous time and effort into his Hamilton career, and this performance will no doubt show this off. It will be a great performance and well worth the time. It begins at 8 p.m., come to an evening of wonderful jazz.

KAC presents folk stars Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer

They sing, yodel, harmonize, spin tales, and play breath-taking instrumentals. They have performed upon request around the world. Cathy FInk and Marcy Marxer's exquisite harmony singing and sparkling instrumentalsz have won acclaim from audiences young and old. The Kirkland Art Center welcomes them back for a KAC Coffeehouse on Friday May 5 at 8:00 PM and for a KAC For Kids performance for families on Saturday, May 6, at 1:00 PM. Admission to the Coffeehouse is $8 and admission to the family program is $5 for adults, $2.50 for children, and students, and no more than $10 per family. Call the Center at 853-8871 for more information. The Kirkland Art Center is located on East Park Row, which is Route 12B, in Clinton.

Since 1981, Cathy and Marcy have been touring the United States, Great Britain, Canada, Australia, and Japan. They have produced more than 30 albums, won awards including a National Parenting PUblications Award and a Washington Area Music Association Award and performed more than 7,000 times at festivals and concerts and on television. The two have spent their entire careers doing music for both kids and adults. Their seamless harmonies, original songs and masterful picking on Banjo, guitar and mandolin blend into joyous and evocative sounds in the genres of folk, country, and bluegrass. And their recordings and concerts for children, laden with creativity and humor, are simply the class of the field. Championship banjo playing and yodeling are trademarks of Cathy's talents, while Marcy is known for her guitar and percussion work and...cowgirl rope tricks.

The Coffeehouse performance is part of the regular KAC Coffeehouse series, produced by Ginger Parker. It is made possible in part by funds from Meet The Composer. The family program is sponsored by the volunteer KAC For Kids committee, chaired by Jill Spellman and Faye Cittadino. Both programs are made possible in part with public funds from the New York State Council on the Arts.

Ballet Company Prepares for Cinderella

The Mohawk Valley Performing Arts Company will present their production of Cinderella at the Stanley Performing Arts Center in Utica on Sunday, May 7 at 2 p.m.

Melissa Warner will dance the role of Cinderella in this classic fairy tale filled with romance, magic, and the zany antics of the stepmother and two stepsisters. Last year, Miss Warner was one of 20 dancers selected in a nationwide audition to receive a full scholarship to study with the Bolshoi Ballet at their summer program in Vail, Colorado.

Peter Kozak of Colombia City Ballet, South Carolina will dance the role of the Prince. Mr. Kozak's roles have included Bluebird in *The Sleeping Beauty*, Snow King and Sugar Plum Cavalier in *The Nutcracker*, Jonathan Harker and Arthur Holmwood in *Dracula - Ballet with a Bite*, and the role of Beast in last year's critically acclaimed New York State premiere of the new ballet *Beauty and the Beast.*

The two stepsisters will be danced in classic style by men, Steve mackintosh and Peter Pelletier. The Stepmother will be danced by Marolyn Wilson, the Dance Master by Leslie Norton and the Fairy Godmother by Elizabeth Porter.

Choreography is by William Starrett of Colombia City Ballet. Music is by Prokofiev, sets and props are courtesy of Sacramento Ballet and costumes are by Ruth Foley and Columbia City Ballet.

Mohawk Valley Performing Arts is a not-for-profit Regional Ballet company celebrating its 21st season. Under the direction of its founding Artistic Director, Delia Foley - the only American born examiner for the Royal Academy of Dance, London - it has grown from a company of 10 to a company of 26 with 9 apprentices.

The entire company can be seen on stage in Cinderella at the public performance on Sunday, May 7 at 2 p.m. and at two sold-out school performances. The production is made possible in part by a Decentralization Grant from the Central New York Community Arts Council using public funds from the New York State Council for the Arts.

Tickets for Cinderella can be purchased by calling the Stanley Box Office 724-4000 or at any Ticketmaster outlet. Prices range from $6-$22 with a $2 discount for students and senior citizens, group rates are available for groups of 10 or more.

Melissa Warner (left) and Steve Mackintosh (right)

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The Master and Margarita, truly a masterpiece

by Jacqueline Fabius '95
a&e staff writer

In my four years at Hamilton "The Master and Margarita" is the best play that I have seen performed at Minor Theatre (I missed "The Crucible"). Unlike other plays in the Hamilton past that have been close to impossible to understand because of their interpretation, this one remained in the realm of comprehension without loosing its artistic touch. The set, which consisted of a room in a madhouse, was simple yet extremely versatile. The one bedroom was sometimes a park, at other times an office, and in the end, even a ballroom. Since the white walls and barred windows never leave, we are constantly reminded that the story we are witnessing came out of the perspective of Ivan Bezdomnij. Later on in the play, even though we venture away with Bezdomnij in his mind, we also stay in the room with him.

It is interesting to note that the play starts before it actually starts. The director, Adrian Giurgea begins to play with our minds when we arrive at our seats. In the darkness of the stage we notice that Prashant Hemadi is in character in a position that clearly depicts either some sort of loneliness or dementia. As the play begins, the devil's entourage nearly attacks us at the edge of the stage, and Prashant disappears. We are still reminded of the Master's (Prashant Hemadi) presence, but not overwhelmed by it. This I believe is the director's first step in remaining faithful to the novel, and in framing the play with the Master's presence. In the novel, the story actually belongs to the Master, and not to Bezdomnij. However, in structuring the play, I think that it was a cunning idea to angle it from Bezdomnij's perspective. By situating the setting in a madhouse, the members of the audience that have not read the book have a substantial madness to hold on to as the chaotic plot starts to unravel.

The director, keeps our attention with quick and snappy scenes that get to the point. Each scene was like a well-baited fishing hook; it draws us in just enough to hunger for more, yet it does not offer us too much dialogue to get lost in. The presentation of the colorful characters and their costumes not only keeps the set alive, but convinces us that they are either part of the devil's mystical entourage, or victims of his pranks.

Berlioz, played by Nick Malafis, is the character that sets off the play for us. He plays well the part of a character that has little weight in the story, but much importance to the plot. Nick's reactions to the devil are funny as he tries to remain unattached to the stranger, unlike Bezdomnij that wants to challenge him. Berlioz as portrayed by Nick represents the skeptic in each one of us. He does not lose his reason as others seem to, but ironically, he does lose his head. Nat Faxon, as Bezdomnij, leads the action with a very persuasive ability to manipulate his features without losing sight of his dialogue and context. His character keeps us constantly on edge with its intensity. We aren't quite sure that we should believe his story, but he is so adamant about it that we tend to *feel* that he is telling the truth. When Prashant Hemadi enters as the Master, his slouchy posture, and child-like way of sneaking into his neighbor's room entices us further in the story, just as his character demands to know his neighbor's experience. Prashant successfully acts realistic and natural by really focusing on the body language that he exudes. Later on Prashant further entertains us with the twist on the stereotypical Christ figure. The Christ that we see in front of Pontius Pilate is twitchy, too humble and almost moronic. In fact, as an audience we only realize that it is Christ because of the references; the portrayal is so against anything we've ever been taught that Christ would be. Rob Gray as the playful devil keeps up a convincing "foreign" accent throughout, as well as a subtle sense of humor in his facial expressions. Emmy Griniwis, Brandy Bierly and Andy Scully kept the action and the plot moving with their constant physical maneuvers around the stage. Emmy Griniwis' slithery, seductive act and costume along with Brandy Bierly's fat and greedy role kept us entertained from beginning to end. And finally of course, the Margarita... (unfortunately I was not able to also catch Ginger's interpretation of the Margarita). Tracy Weller embodied the Margarita with charm, elasticity and charisma. She wins us over as the "innocent", beautiful, dedicated mistress of the Master, but then draws us to laughter after rubbing the magic cream on herself. Tracy turns the Margarita into an animalistic, sexual woman with a nearly sadistic feel to her.

Perhaps the most unusual aspect of this play is that it was so very faithful to the novel. Every scene, and all the words were drawn out from the pages of the actual book. The magic realism of the story comes across very well with the costumes and rapidity of the scenes. We don't get quite enough time to speculate that the reality before us is twisted in a strange way, however, like the characters, we tend to feel that something is askew. Yet, we are too caught up in wondering what's coming next. The play moved quickly enough in the first act so that we did not feel that it was our artistic burden to stay and watch the end. We were both visually and mentally stimulated throughout the play. It was by no means simplistic, but you also did not have to bring along your "Dictionary of Theatrical Incomprehensibilities."

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28 *Friday*

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7:30 **Film: What's Up, Tiger Lily.** Sponsored by the Foreign and Fine Film Soceity. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.$

7:30 **Large Group Meting.** Spon sored by InterChristian Fellow ship. Schambach 201.

8:00 **Senior Dance Projects.** Illona Feldman '95. Sponsored by Theater and Dance Department. Minor Theater.

29 *Saturday*

11:00-7:00 **Hamilton Earth Festival.** Rogers Glen Clean up, ultimate frisbee, concert and barbeque. Sponsored by HEAG. Rogers Glen and the former TDX field.

4:00-6:00 **Senior Show- "Opening Re ception."** Emerson Art Gallery.

8:00 **Senior Dance Projects.** Illona Feldman '95, Alicia Buoni '95, and Lunshan Liao '95. Spon sored by Theater and Dance Department. Minor Theater.

8:00 **Senior Recital.** Eric Sussman '95, tenor saxophone, accompa nied by five piece combo. Fillius Events Barn, Beinecke Village.

10:00 **Film: What's Up, Tiger Lily.** Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.$

30 *Sunday*

11:30-12:30 **AA Alcoholics Anonymous: "On the Hill" Open Meet ing- All Welcome.** Fisher Room, Birstol Campus Center.

1:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.

3:00 **Student Concert.** Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.

7:30 **Film: What's Up, Tiger Lily.** Sponsored by the Foreign and Fine Film Soceity.

1 *Monday*

11:00- **Conversations with President Gene Tobin.** Beinecke Village.

3:00 **College Course 300 Film: Spike Lee, Do the Right Thing (USA '89).** Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.

9:00 **GLBSA Weekly Meeting.** Keehn 2 floor Lounge.

2 *Tuesday*

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.

4:00 **Warren Wright Public Speak ing Contest.** A competition event open only to Hamilton Juniors, who have taken Public Speaking. This years finalists are: Andrew Bomann, Cary Devorsetz, and Todd Leonard. Chapel.

3 *Wednesday*

3:00 & 7:30 **College Course 300 Film: Zhang Yimou, Judou (China '90).** Kirner-Johnson Audito rium.

4:15-6:00 **Senior Fellowship Lecture.** Lanethea Matthews '95. Azel Backus House.

7:00 **Campus Activities Board Weekly Meeting.** Basement, Bristol Campus Center.

4 *Thursday*

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.

5:30 **AA Alcoholics Anonymous: "On the Hill" Open Meet ing- All Welcome.** Fisher Room, Bristol Campus Center.

7:00 **Hamilton Environmental Action Group Weekly Meeting.** Kirner-Johnson, first floor lounge.

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Kiss of Death	*6:40, 9:30*
Tommy Boy	*6:45*
Rob Roy	*6:35, 9:35*
Circle of Friends	*9:15*
Jury Duty	*7:05, 9:45*
Hapdog	*7:10, 9:40*
Village of the Deemed	*6:50, 9:20*

Clinton Cinema 853-5553

Rob Roy *7, 9:15*

Up Town 797-0020

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Man of the House *1:30, 7, 9:30*

Just Cause *9:30*

The Peppel and the Penguin *7*

On Campus

What's Up, Tiger Lily?

Fri., Sat., Sun., @7:30, 10

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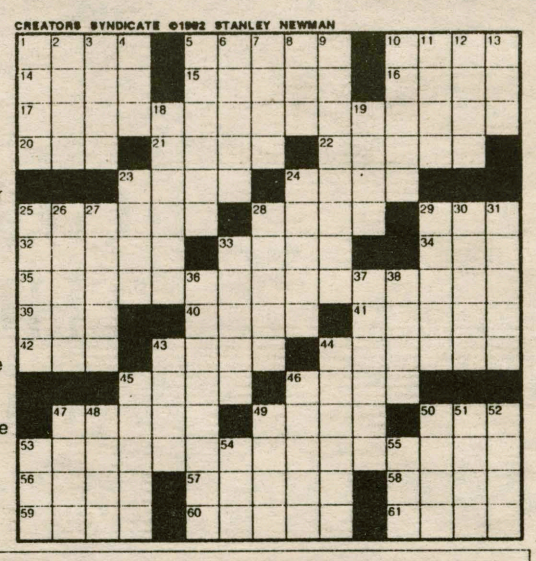
Newsday Crossword

FIRST THINGS FIRST by S.N.
Edited by Stanley Newman

ACROSS
1 Yodeler's place
5 "Get lost!"
10 Fill roles
14 Windless
15 Numerical goal
16 __ close to schedule
17 1/20/89, e.g.
20 Home room
21 Betz's TV wife
22 Rock bottom
23 Egg on
24 Choir member
25 In jeopardy
28 Uninteresting
29 Tiny colonist
32 Coin call
33 Elvis __ Presley
34 It may be pitched
35 Fine, so far
39 The Rams' league: Abbr.
40 Not at all nice
41 Spring up
42 Give the once-over
43 Polaroid pioneer
44 President __ of the Senate
45 Berth place
46 Job opening
47 Madame Curie
49 Ruin
50 Movie turkey
53 Cole Porter tune
56 Raised, as cats
57 Circus star
58 Chap, to Dundee
59 Give up
60 Nasal sensations
61 Fall heavily

DOWN
1 Corrosive chemical
2 Bowling area
3 Architect's work
4 Dallas sch.
5 Need oiling
6 As good as new
7 Turnpike
8 A.B.A. member
9 California's locale, to Hawaiians
10 Apt. of a sort
11 *The King* __
12 Fly high
13 Take a stab at
18 Concerto __ (Baroque work)
19 Solemn promise
23 Gold-colored
24 Crazy as __
25 Make up (for)
26 Chewy candy
27 Long arm?
28 Not limited
29 Hang around for
30 Mythology branch
31 Indian carving
33 Author's rep
36 Almond-flavored drink
37 South Seas skirt
38 Easy run
43 Beef cut
44 Wire bender
45 Joy's partner
46 Self-controlled
47 Insignificant
48 Got older
49 Floor model
50 Ring up
51 "Render __ Caesar . . ."
52 Fraught with meaning
53 English channel?
54 Hoodwinked
55 Diamond judge



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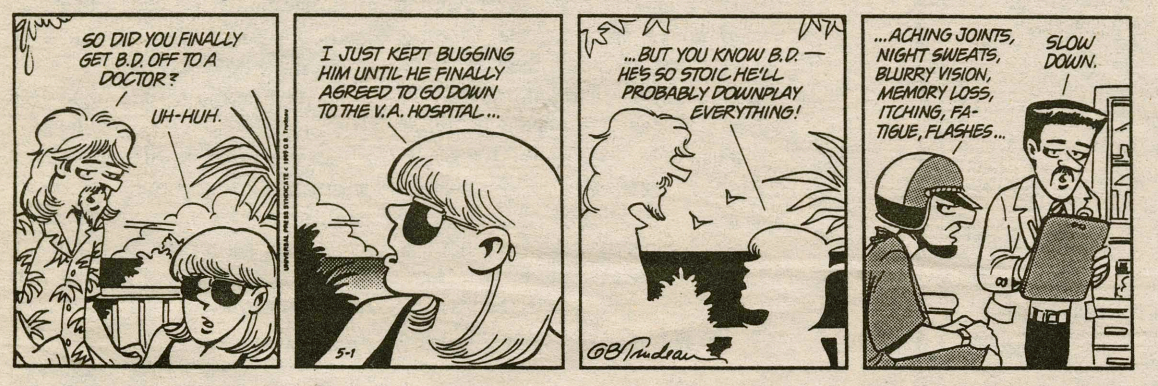
SO DID YOU FINALLY GET B.D. OFF TO A DOCTOR?
UH-HUH.
I JUST KEPT BUGGING HIM UNTIL HE FINALLY AGREED TO GO DOWN TO THE V.A. HOSPITAL...
5-1
...BUT YOU KNOW B.D. — HE'S SO STOIC HE'LL PROBABLY DOWNPLAY EVERYTHING!
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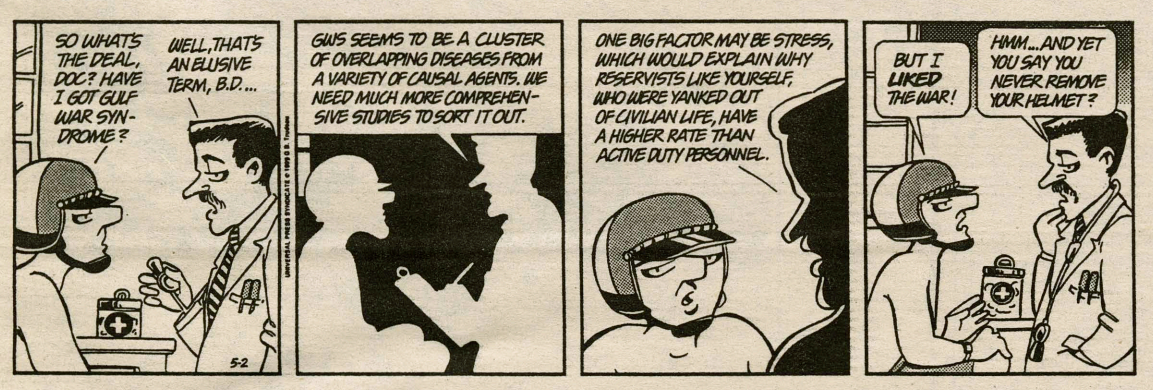
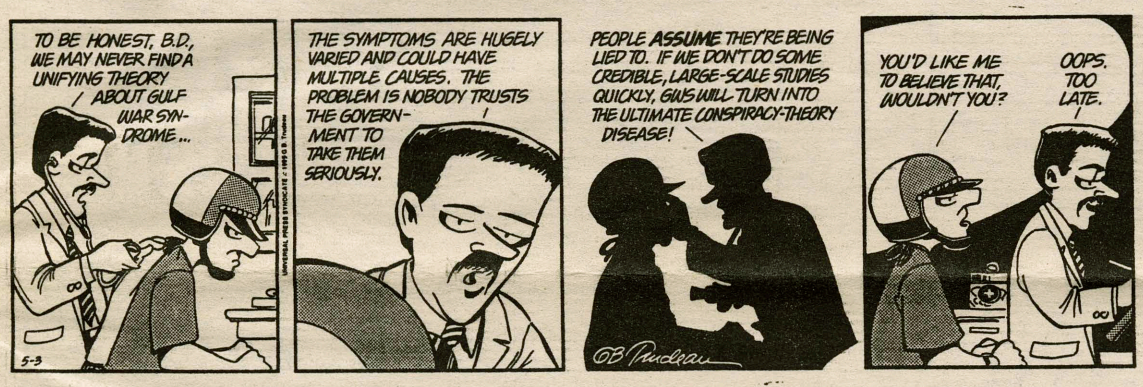
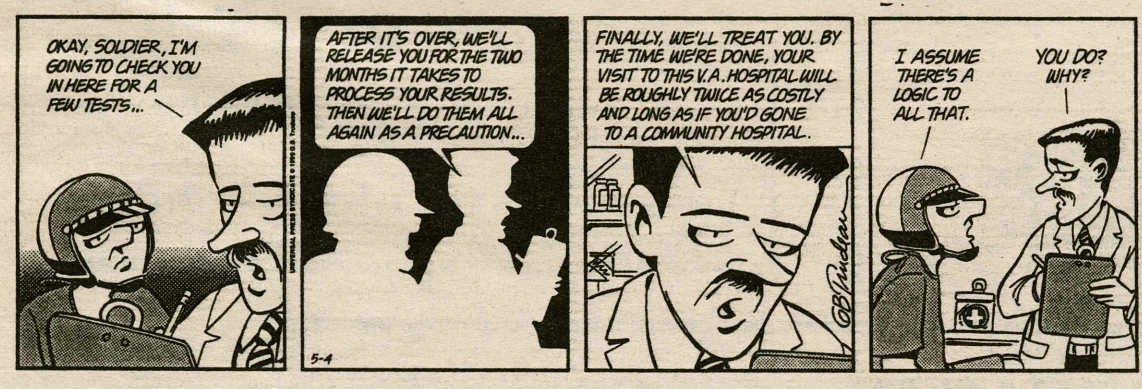
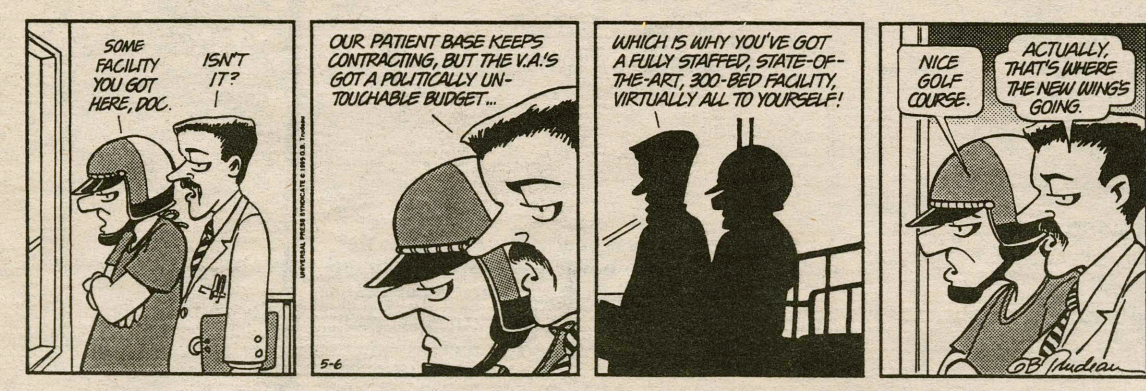
...ACHING JOINTS, NIGHT SWEATS, BLURRY VISION, MEMORY LOSS, ITCHING, FATIGUE, FLASHES...
SLOW DOWN.


SO WHAT'S THE DEAL, DOC? HAVE I GOT GULF WAR SYNDROME?
WELL, THAT'S AN ELUSIVE TERM, B.D....
5-2
GWS SEEMS TO BE A CLUSTER OF OVERLAPPING DISEASES FROM A VARIETY OF CAUSAL AGENTS. WE NEED MUCH MORE COMPREHENSIVE STUDIES TO SORT IT OUT.
ONE BIG FACTOR MAY BE STRESS, WHICH WOULD EXPLAIN WHY RESERVISTS LIKE YOURSELF, WHO WERE YANKED OUT OF CIVILIAN LIFE, HAVE A HIGHER RATE THAN ACTIVE DUTY PERSONNEL.
BUT I LIKED THE WAR!
HMM...AND YET YOU SAY YOU NEVER REMOVE YOUR HELMET?


TO BE HONEST, B.D., WE MAY NEVER FIND A UNIFYING THEORY ABOUT GULF WAR SYNDROME...
5-3
THE SYMPTOMS ARE HUGELY VARIED AND COULD HAVE MULTIPLE CAUSES. THE PROBLEM IS NOBODY TRUSTS THE GOVERNMENT TO TAKE THEM SERIOUSLY.
PEOPLE ASSUME THEY'RE BEING LIED TO. IF WE DON'T DO SOME CREDIBLE, LARGE-SCALE STUDIES QUICKLY, GWS WILL TURN INTO THE ULTIMATE CONSPIRACY-THEORY DISEASE!
YOU'D LIKE ME TO BELIEVE THAT, WOULDN'T YOU?
OOPS. TOO LATE.


OKAY, SOLDIER, I'M GOING TO CHECK YOU IN HERE FOR A FEW TESTS...
AFTER IT'S OVER, WE'LL RELEASE YOU FOR THE TWO MONTHS IT TAKES TO PROCESS YOUR RESULTS. THEN WE'LL DO THEM ALL AGAIN AS A PRECAUTION...
5-4
FINALLY, WE'LL TREAT YOU. BY THE TIME WE'RE DONE, YOUR VISIT TO THIS V.A. HOSPITAL WILL BE ROUGHLY TWICE AS COSTLY AND LONG AS IF YOU'D GONE TO A COMMUNITY HOSPITAL.
I ASSUME THERE'S A LOGIC TO ALL THAT.
YOU DO? WHY?

THIS HOSPITAL SURE SEEMS QUIET.
YEAH, WE HAVE A BIT OF AN OVERCAPACITY PROBLEM...
5-5
ONLY 30% OF OUR BEDS ARE FILLED. IN FACT, WE'VE GOT FOUR SURGEONS WHO HAVEN'T OPERATED IN OVER SIX MONTHS!
SIX MONTHS?
THAT'S RIGHT.
HOW DO THEY MAINTAIN PROFICIENCY?
MELONS. WHY, YOU NEED SOME ELECTIVE?


SOME FACILITY YOU GOT HERE, DOC.
ISN'T IT?
5-6
OUR PATIENT BASE KEEPS CONTRACTING, BUT THE V.A.'S GOT A POLITICALLY UNTOUCHABLE BUDGET...
WHICH IS WHY YOU'VE GOT A FULLY STAFFED, STATE-OF-THE-ART, 300-BED FACILITY, VIRTUALLY ALL TO YOURSELF!
NICE GOLF COURSE.
ACTUALLY, THAT'S WHERE THE NEW WING'S GOING.

Personals

Gabe Meyer-

Happy 21st, May 3rd, to our illustrious Editor-in-Chief. From your friend,

-Adeline

Norman-

Ich liebe Dich so wie Du mich - Am Abend und am Morgen. Mein Leben ist kompleter mit Dir neben mir!

-Deine T.A.

Mi Muñeca-

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-el mexicano más sobroson

Lerf and Berf-

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Megs and Lors

Kitty-

You made it in one piece! Nevermore will I be annoyed…its super-deluxe from now on.

-Pequeña

To all my friends-

Its almost the end of the year. Time to hand in the long over due papers and lab reports. Don't stress too much. Try to relax a little. To all the seniors: Good luck in all your future endeavors. To the non-seniors: Enjoy the summer, and I'll see you next year.

-YR the mad chemist =-)

Heidi-

I think we speak for everyone when we offer you our sincerest congratulations on your engagement to Jay. May you have many happy years together.

-Love T-Bone, Milkshake, T-Rex, J-Boy, J-Dog & A1

T-Bone-

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-Love LMNOP & THUNDERCAT

Answers to last week's crossword puzzle

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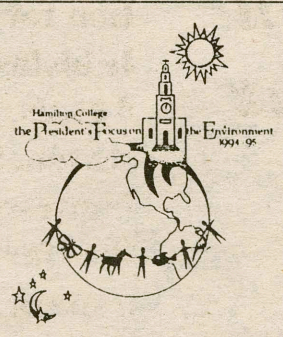
Watch this space for your name. This week's t-shirt winners are: Heather Creeley ('94) and Fred Bush ('96). *T-shirts will be available for sale at each event. Winners should pick up their shirts at the next event or from Prof. Hilke Kayser in K-J 250.*



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Saturday, April 29

A Spring Fest Finale! Come and celebrate the outdoors!

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11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Rogers Glen Cleanup. Get a free t-shirt!
2 p.m. - 5 p.m.	Ultimate Frisbee Tournament on the TDX Soccer Fields. Sign up teams of seven by April 27th.
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.	BBQ on the fields!
8 p.m.	George Clinton and P-Funk!

All day music provided by the Garden Weasels!!

Rain site: Sage Hockey Rink

Hamilton Environmental Group

The Hamilton Environmental Action Group (HEAG) meets every Thursday night at 7:00 in the Blue Pit in K-J. Everyone is welcome to come and find out more about HEAG and the plans for Earthfest.

Think globally -Act locally

Men's Lax still struggling

Lose 10-8 in close game against Clarkson

BY SPECTATOR SPORTS

The men's lacrosse team cannot seem to get back on the winning track. Last Saturday, the Continentals hosted Clarkson and fell 10-8. Jamie Walsh '97 played a stellar offensive game scoring three goals. Anthony Cunningham '95 made 11 saves.

On Wednesday, the Continentals lost a heartbreaker to Elmira College, 8-7, dropping their record to 2-7. Joe Phillips '95 led the offensive attack with three goals. Eric Freedman '98 continued his rookie year success with two goals and an assist. In nine games played, Freedman leads the team with 23 points (12 goals and 11 assists).

The tandem of Freedman and Tommy White '98 (12 goals and 3 assists) continue to offer hope to a promising future despite the disappointing season. The Continentals have three games remaining to salvage the season. This Saturday, they travel to Saratoga, NY to take on Skidmore.

PHOTO BY GABRIEL CID '97

The men's lacrosse team hopes to pull off a victory when they play Skidmore on Saturday.

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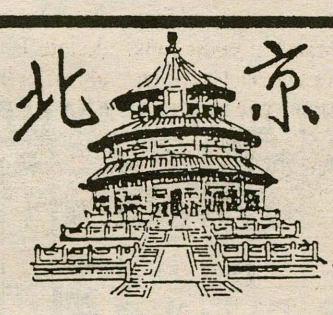

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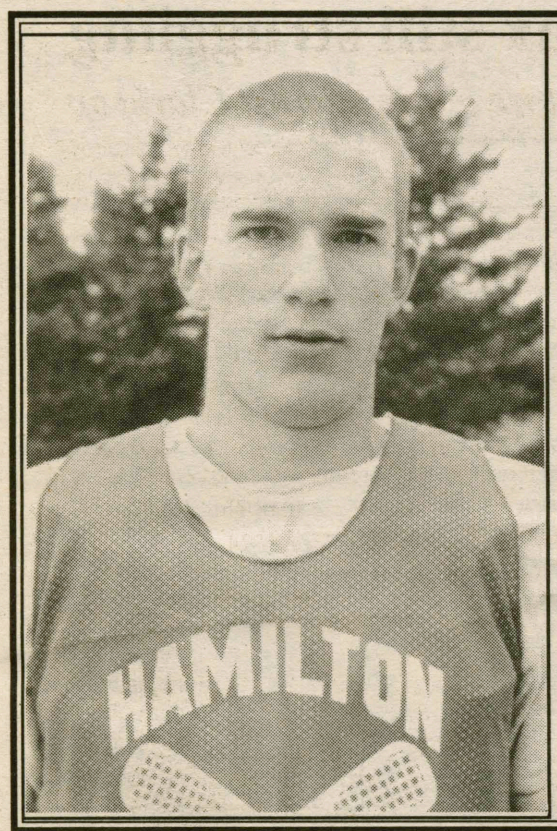

The Hamilton Athlete of the Week

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Eric Freedman

Eric Freedman '98 has been a rookie sensation for the Hamilton men's lacrosse team. In his last three contests, Freedman has scored 4 goals, while contributing 6 assists. For the season, he leads the team in scoring with an impressive 23 points. Despite a 2-7 record thus far this season, Freedman has provided a spark for the struggling Continentals.

Congratulations, Eric! You are the *Hamilton Athlete of the Week!*

STATISTICS:

--12 goals
--11 assists
--23 total points

OTHER PEAK PERFORMERS

Sean Fay '98

Last Saturday, in a twinbill versus Union, Sean Fay had a career day at the plate, going 4-6 with three home runs and nine runs batted in. For the season, Fay is batting an impressive .375 and a .750 slugging percentage.

Sean, you truly are a peak performer!

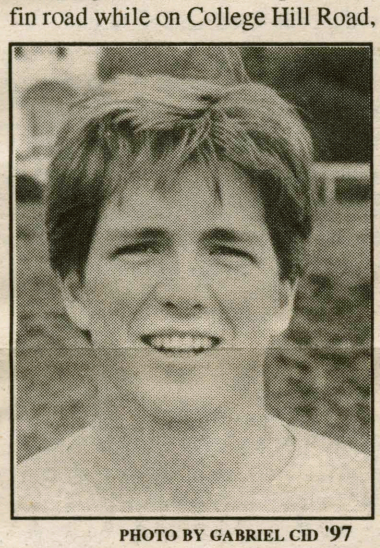
148 runners compete in First Annual Hamilton 5-mile road race

BY JASON M. SANTARCANGELO '98
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

On Sunday morning, April 23, while most of the campus slept, Hamilton College hosted a 5 mile road race. The course was certified, eligible for official record setting performances, by the United States Track and Field Association.

The course, a scenic route starting outside the fitness center, follows the field house access road before turning left onto campus road. While on campus road the runners past the one mile mark and then made a left hand turn on to Norton Avenue then quickly made another left on Valley View. Before turning left on Griffin Road, the runners passed the 2 mile marker.

The three mile marker was found on Griffin Road before making a right hand turn on to Stryker Lane. After Stryker Lane, the runners turn left on to College Hill Road. Just past Griffin road while on College Hill Road, the four mile mark was found. The runners then turned on to Campus Road before making the final left on to the field house access road. The runners finished the five mile course in front of the Alumni Gym.



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Jim Serhant '95

Despite the brisk temperatures, cloudy skies and brief snow shower 148 runners approached the starting line with hopes of tackling the challenging course. The race was promptly started at 10:00 a.m. by the Honorary Starter President Eugene Tobin. All 148 runners crossed the line with many running their first race.

Leading the Continentals across the line was senior Jim Serhant running a time of 29:56 who finished fourth overall. Serhant was one of four runners to crack the thirty minute barrier. The second Hamilton finisher was Mac Martin '97 who finished tenth in a time of 32:48. Ted Morse '96 was the third Hamilton male across the line in thirty-third place with a time of 36:51.

The Lady Continentals were lead by Alumni Pam Stone who finished twenty-eighth in a time of 36:08. The first current Lady Continental was Maria Gara '97 in thirty-seventh place with a time of 37:21. Alicia Bouni covered the five mile distance in 38:25 finishing fourty-sixth. The third female finisher from Hamilton was Heather Wanye, sixty-fourth, in a time of 40:36.

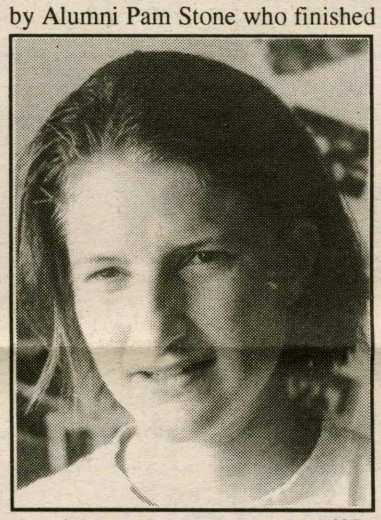


PHOTO BY GABRIEL CID '97

Maria Gara '97

Several faculty members competed in the race. A couple of notables psychology professor John Yost, biology professor Ernest Williams and Dean of Admission Rit Fuller.

The race would not have been a huge success without the help of many volunteers who gave up a few hours to assist the runners. Volunteers were responsible for packet pick-up, food, water stations, course marshalling, running the finish line and tabulating the results.

Mark your calendar now. Next year's race will be held on Sunday April 24.

Women's Lax faces #2 seed Hartwick in Semi-Finals

*from **Lax** on page 24*

they will face the winner of the Cortland/William Smith (ranked #1 nationally) game, also this weekend. Hartwick's 60-yard-wide field could pose a problem to the Continentals, who are used to playing on spacious, 75-yard-wide Love Field. Coach Bruce adds, "We need to be really on with our passing, and move the ball quickly. We are very well-balanced. To beat us, you need to close down 3-5 people, and most teams can't do that."

Hamilton played a streaky game in their first matchup with Hartwick, scoring the first goal, giving up the next seven, and scoring the last 5 goals in the 18-15 defeat last Saturday. "We sent a message with that finish," Coach Bruce states. "It should be a great game."

Whether Hamilton pulls off the upset or not on Saturday, they have secured the best team record (8-5) in recent memory. Coach Bruce is pleased with the group, considering the fact that the squad lost 4 seniors and several others to foreign study programs. The season has been anything but a rebuilding year, as a team with twelve sophomores and only three seniors have played intense and exciting lacrosse all season. Leading the team in points this season are Morison (33-8-41), Roberts (28-12-40), Peters (18-12-30), Whitaker (25-4-29), Waters (20-5-25), and Harris (16-6-22), all sophomores. Hyner has singlehandedly minded the nets all season, posting a .611 save percentage.

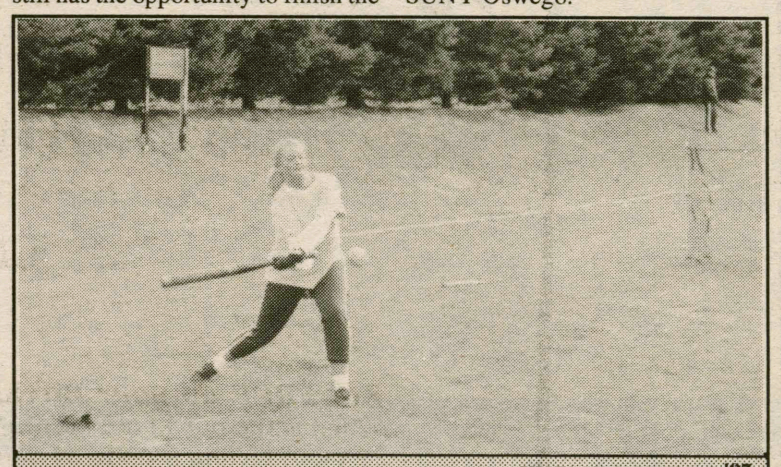
Listen to the season finale of STM Primetime with Sam, Trip, and Matt on Sunday at 6 p.m. on WHCL.

Softball falls to RPI 9-4, face Union

BY GREG NUSSBAUM '98
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

The Hamilton women's softball team came into Tuesday's game at Ferguson Field hoping to upset 14-5 RPI. Unfortunately RPI proved too tough with a 9-4 victory. RPI feasted on the pitching of Kristen Ring '96, who fell to 2-4, collecting eleven hits, six walks, and ultimately seven earned runs in four and one-third innings pitched. On the bright side, Marsha Foster '95 relieved Ring and pitched two and two-thirds scoreless innings without surrendering a hit.

Foster also starred on offense, going three for three with a pair of doubles. Michelle Pickett '96, Gretchen Randall '98, Kim Colvin '96, Kristen Ring '96, Ashely Merriman '98, and Michelle Supprenant '97 each had hits for Hamilton. RPI's Julie Frezon went two for three with three RBI's to anchor the offense. With the loss the Continentals fell to 5-8. After starting off 4-2, Hamilton has lossed five of their last six games. However, Pickett continues to open eyes batting .450 with eighteen hits which include the teams only two home runs. Foster and Colvin are tied for second on the team with nine hits a piece. Foster has also hammered four doubles and knocked in eight runs during a fine senior season. Hamilton still has the opportunity to finish the season with a winning record. This Saturday they travel to Union for a double header, and next Thursday close out their season at home versus SUNY Oswego.



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The softball team practices for their doubleheader versus Union this Saturday.

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This Week in Hamilton Sports

Sport	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.
Men's Baseball		Skidmore 1:00 p.m.	Cooperstown Tournament TBA				
Men's Golf		Williams 10:00 a.m.					
Men's Lacrosse		Skidmore 1:00 p.m.				Albany 4:00 p.m.	
Women's Lacrosse		Hartwick TBA					
Men's Tennis	NESCAC 2:00 p.m.						
Women's Softball		Union (2) 1:00 a.m.					
Track & Field	NESCAC 2:00 p.m.						

Indicates Home Game

Indicates Away Game

Beat the "Experts"

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Specially Selected Sporting Events	Sam Walker *Spectator Sports Editor*	Brian Cohen *Associate Sports Editor*	Trip MacCracken *Associate Sports Editor*	Josh Escudero Sophomore *Guest #1*	Dave Townsend A & E Editor *Guest #2*
	Last Week: 6-8 To date: 78-60	Last Week: 8-6 To date: 74-64	Last Week: 10-4 To date: 79-59	Last Week's Guest: Meghan Hallock 11-3	Last Week's Guest: Gabriel Meyer 9-5
NBA Playoffs					
Atlanta at Indiana 4/29	Atlanta	Indiana	Indiana	Indiana	Atlanta
Cleveland at New York 4/29	Cleveland	New York	Cleveland	New York	New York
Houston at Utah 4/29	Utah	Utah	Utah	Houston	Houston
L.A. Lakers at Seattle 4/29	Seattle	Seattle	Los Angeles	Seattle	Los Angeles
Boston at Orlando 4/30	Orlando	Orlando	Orlando	Orlando	Boston
Chicago at Charlotte 4/30	Charlotte	Charlotte	Chicago	Chicago	Chicago
Denver at San Antonio 4/30	Denver	San Antonio	San Antonio	San Antonio	Denver
Portland at Phoenix 4/30	Portland	Phoenix	Phoenix	Phoenix	Phoenix
NHL					
Rangers at Philadelphia 4/30	Philadelphia	New York	Philadelphia	New York	New York
Pittsburgh at Boston 4/30	Pittsburgh	Boston	Boston	Boston	Boston
Washington at Florida 4/30	Florida	Florida	Washington	Washington	Florida
St. Louis at San Jose 4/30	San Jose	St. Louis	San Jose	St. Louis	San Jose
Chicago at Detroit 4/30	Chicago	Detroit	Detroit	Detroit	Chicago

If you think that you can beat these "experts," drop us a line and we will try to get you in. Write "I can beat the experts" on a piece of paper and add your name, then fold it and address it to the sports editor at *The Spectator.* Drop it in campus mail and if you're randomly selected, you'll quickly receive a form for you to make your picks.

Jets' Fans Mourn Brady Pick

Browns Fans Equally Bitter After Trade Down

Scorecard

Trip MacCracken

In the NBA: First round matchups and predictions in the Eastern Conference: Orlando over Boston in four, Indiana over Atlanta in five, New York over Cleveland in five, and Chicago over Charlotte in three. In the West, San Antonio will take Denver in three, Phoenix will eliminate Portland in four, Utah will advance over Houston in five, and the Lakers will advance over Seattle in four... My picks for individual honors: MVP- David Robinson... Coach of the Year- Mike Fratello... Most Improved- Georghe Muresan... Most Underrated- Rod Strickland... and Rookie of the Year- Grant Hill... The return of Michael Jordan certainly will make this one of the most intriguing NBA playoffs in recent memory. After leading the Bulls to 13 wins and 4 losses after coming out of retirement, Jordan says he thinks he has his shot back. He adds, "The regular season is garbage. We can throw this thing away now. What we do from this point on is going to be written in history books." Watching the rejuvenated Bulls throughout the playoffs, my friends, will be very interesting... USA Today's Danny Sheridan has the Spurs listed at 2:1 odds against winning the championship. The Magic are listed at 3:1, and the Knicks at 6:1. The Bulls, meanwhile, are listed at a mouth-watering 10:1... I can't wait to see what color Dennis Rodman will dye his hair for the playoffs. Since Rodman has already tried most of the colors in the rainbow, I'd like to see him try something a bit more unusual, along the lines of, say, aqua-marine. After all, David Robinson has him eating his pizza the wrong way, so who knows what's next...

In the NFL: Looking back on the winners and losers in last weekend's draft... Winners: Cincinnati struck it rich, getting top pick Ki-Jana Carter for only a swap of first-rounders and an additional second rounder. In the seventh round, the Bengals got a potential steal in quarterback John Walsh, who was projected months ago to be one of the top five players picked. Tampa Bay traded down and still landed Warren Sapp with the 12th selection overall. Carolina and Jacksonville both did well, but considering that they are expansion teams with so many needs, it seems they couldn't go wrong. Philadelphia got stronger defensively, adding Mike Mamula and Bobby Taylor. San Francisco traded up to get J.J. Stokes, giving up only draft choices. Losers: Cleveland gave up Eric Metcalf to move up in the first round, but then choked when their turn came at the tenth spot. So, they traded back down, getting only late picks in return. The Browns passed on Sapp and Tyrone Wheatley, both of whom would have addressed major needs. The Jets were the other big loser as they avoided filling any need with the ninth pick, and went instead for tight end Kyle Brady, who gives the Jets a great tandem with Johnny Mitchell. The Jets, like the Browns, passed on Sapp, as well as Stokes, who would have given the Jets the receiver that they so desperately need. The Raiders passed on James Stewart and Rashaan Salaam to select Napolean Kaufman, who is not the every-down runner that they need... I can't help but think that Charlie Ward would have been better off in the NFL than in the NBA. Since he wasn't drafted, though, we only get to see him languish on the Knicks bench. After appearing in 10 games this season, you have to wonder if the Knicks have any long-term plans for Ward. I'd love to see what he could do in the NFL...

In baseball: Watching opening day games was as exciting as I hoped, although there were no sellouts. When there are no sellouts on opening day, you know the fans aren't too happy. Once the season gets going, and pennant races take off, fans will come back... The major league umpires are still locked out. With all the hubbub over the players' return, a lot of people have overlooked the striking umps... On opening day, the Yankees started well, with Jimmy Key recording a win and John Wetteland earning his first save as the Yanks beat Texas... I'm convinced the Yankees and Braves will face one another in October. There's just too much pitching on both sides for them not to meet. The Yanks additions of Jack McDowell and Wetteland push New York over the top. Meanwhile, the Braves' trade for Marquis Grissom gives Atlanta a great leadoff hitter and defensive center fielder to complement their amazing pitching staff and already potent lineup...

Quotables & Miscellaneous: Bullets rookie Juwan Howard, who left Michigan a year early, will graduate with his class this weekend after completing his requirements during the season... San Antonio assistant coach Dave Cowens, who knows a thing or two about championships from his playing days as a Celtic, says that the Spurs look ready for their first: "All the pieces are here, plus it's like every wine having its time. This is their time."... Say what?: Michael Cooper, former Laker and current Laker assistant coach, said that this Laker team is, "top to bottom the most talented I've ever seen. We won with seven, eight players in the '80s, but this team can put in the 12th man and feel confident." Sorry, Michael. Take away Van Exel, Ceballos, Divac, and Eddie Jones, and this squad couldn't make the CBA playoffs... And finally, Pacers coach Larry Brown sums up what a lot of people are thinking, "The Bulls are the team to beat. They won three titles with Michael (Jordan). They're very dangerous." Yes, indeed...

My Two Cents
A day at the movies

By Samuel M. Walker '96
SPORTS EDITOR

We all know my views about P.E. requirements, gender-equity, and what Adonal Foyle could do for Hamilton, but I have yet to shed insight into my own, unique utopia. Except when my beloved Jets are on, a perfect afternoon for me would to be sit down and watch as many of my favorite sports movies as possible. For a second, let's imagine I have the entire day free, with every sports movie imaginable at my leisure. This is what I would do...

After getting up at around noon, I realize that someone has already started *Hoosiers* for me (Oh yeah, I remember I instructed my butler to have it playing). Starring Gene Hackman, this basketball flick has it all, with the quintessential cliché of an underdog coming from nowhere to win. Hackman is able to take a bunch of small town farmers to the Indiana Basketball State Championship, where they are able to upset the favorites and win the title. In order to achieve glory, Hackman and his team go through some rough times. The obstacles the team had to face make the championship that much sweeter. Also, I cannot overlook Ollie as his accomplishments remind me of my own personal sports glories.

Watching *Hoosiers* puts me in a great mood. As I swing for the bag of pretzels and a can of Coke, its now time to put in my next movie. Do I want another serious movie or do I want comedy? Comedy I choose, so I slide *Slapshot* in the VCR. Starring Paul Newman, this movie is about a season with a misfit minor league hockey team. The team makes the Bad News Bears look like Michael Jordan. Face it, they suck. Yet they win in the end (they always do!). The team's antics and side comments make the film enjoyable. After watching one of God's greatest gifts to the comedy genre, my sides hurt. My eyes watered, my mother told me to stop laughing eight times, and my dog (which I don't even own) left the room due to lack of attention.

Now, I want a sleeper. Paul Newman wasn't enough, so I go for Tom Cruise. I couldn't handle the double dose of machismo, so I stray away from *The Color of Money* (Billards isn't a real sport - no fanatics), and turn to *All the Right Moves*. Cruise gets booted from the high school team by "Coach" Craig T. Nelson. Eventually, Nelson becomes a head college coach and grants Cruise a scholarship. This movie must be one of the best movies of all time.

Well, the sleeper caused a well needed respite. I took a power hour nap and then the marathon continued. Realizing I had forgotten our national pastime, baseball, I reached for the *Natural*. Are you kidding me? A middle aged Robert Redford, playing for the Yankees, propels the team to the World Series Championship after being shot. Still a little tired from the nap, I suddenly fall asleep. I dream and Dick Vitale is talking to me about *The Natural* saying, "This movie has it all baby. Acting, direction, editing. We're talking Oscar City! Hey, 'Scorecard' Trip, you'll love it too!" I wake up quickly, wondering why I started dreaming about a short bald man. Regardless, I listen to my mentor Vitale's comments and see Redford cranking the game winning homer, shattering the stadiums lights. God, Dickie V. knows his stuff!

Well, it's midnight and I'm not tired. After being inside all day, I need some exercise. Where's *Rocky?* I find it in the safe behind my family portrait. Dialing in the combination, 19JETS69, I find my prized possession in its place. Watching *Rocky* is a thrill. I don't know what's better - shadow boxing in my living room or watching Jets reruns. Regardless, this epic feature is just the perfect ending to a fabulous day.

So I retire with dreams of Dickie V., Stallone, hockey players, and footballers dancing through my head. And, yes, tomorrow is another day. Unfortunately, my in-laws are coming over with their misguided favorites: *Necessary Roughness, The Program, Blue Chips,* and *Wildcats*. Alas, I'll be hanging out with my butler, *Rudy*, in the *Field of Dreams* dining room, with a *Major League* candlestick. Who says I have a life?

--Eric Ritvo '96 contributed in writing this article

Men's tennis win three in a row
Head to Middlebury for NESCAC Championship

By Greg Nussbaum '98
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

A fragmented Hamilton College tennis team lost in its quest to repeat as Marketplace tournament champions last weekend as Nazareth College pulled off the upset in a tightly contested matchup 3-2. Without starters Jason Barnes '98 and Chris Snyder '95, Hamilton was not at peak strength. The tournament started off with a promising pounding of SUNY Oswego. Oswego thumped Buffalo state in the fist round 5-0(Hamilton was rewarded a first round bye) on their way to a second round exit at the hands of the continentals. This was one of the years shortest matches as J.W. Hobson '97 (6-0, 6-0), Jed Whitlock '98 (6-2, 6-2), Sam Walker '96 (6-1, 6-2), Greg Nussbaum '98 (6-1, 6-1) and the doubles team of Seth Joyal '96 and Rob Edwards '95 (8-2) each won easily.

The day was not over for the Continentals as a talented SUNY-Oneonta team awaited their chance at dethroning Hamilton. However their efforts were thwarted at the hands of Hobson, Whitlock, and Walker who won in straight sets and in quick fashion. Greg Nussbaum, the normal #7 seed, upset his Oneonta opponent in a grueling three set match 7-6(9-7), 4-6, 7-6(8-6). Joyal and Edwards suffered their first loss as a tandem in an incomplete match by a score of 7-5. Nazareth College was up next in the finals, having come off a close 3-2 victory against St. Lawrence. After a good night sleep, Hamilton was prepared and optimistic. Unfortunately, at half strength, Hamilton just could not keep up with Nazareth, losing 3-2. Hobson(3-6, 7-5, 1-6), Whitlock(5-7, 4-6) and Nussbaum(6-2, 3-6, 2-6) all lost in very close matches. Sam Walker a, model of consistency, padded his career statistics by defeating his Nazareth opponent 7-5, 6-3 and remaining undefeated in the tournament. Joyal/Edwards won their doubles match 8-6 for Hamilton's second victory. There was however some controversy as Nazareth officials threatened to deduct points due to foot faults. A rarely called infraction, the coach approached at least two Hamilton players at very inopportune times in the match, and failed to call them on her own players which angered Rob Edwards, "I think it's ridiculous. It's not that she called the foot faults, it's the manner in which she called them." Nevertheless coach Kelly McElroy stated," She had the right to call them. You guys were foot faulting." Although Hamilton posted a total match score on the weekend of 11-4, the loss was disappointing.

Hamilton traveled to Ithaca College Tuesday and under ominous conditions pounded them 7-2. J.W. Hobson literally toyed with his opponent, eventually derailing him in the third set. Jed Whitlock(7-5, 6-2), Sam Walker(6-3, 7-5) and Chris Snyder(6-2, 6-4) each won in straight sets. Rob Edwards pulled off a come from behind three set victory but Greg Nussbaum could not hold a first set lead losing 6-2, 4-6, 5-7. The doubles team of Walker/Edwards bashed their opponents 8-1 as did Hobson/Whitlock.

Union College came to Hamilton Wednesday and left pondering a 6-3 loss. Hobson, Whitlock, Walker, and Edwards pulled off victories as did the doubles teams of Hobson/Whitlock and Walker/Edwards. SUNY Oneonta was on the hill Thursday for Hamilton's last home match. Hobson, Whitlock, Walker, and Edwards also won their matches against Oneonta. All three doubles teams took victories. The Continental's season is almost complete, with the NESCAC tournament in Middlebury as the only remaining event on the schedule. However, the NESCAC tournament is only an individual tournament, so for the season, the team will finish at 14-8. Sam Walker compiled a team best 14-6 record. Jason Barnes '98 went 10-2 before succumbing to injury, J.W. Hobson and Jed Whitlock each finished at 12-10. Chris Snyder went 7-9, while Seth Joyal was 4-11. Rob Edwards went 7-2, Damon Lopez O'Dwyer 1-2 and Greg Nussbaum 3-2. In doubles, Walker/Edwards finished at 12-3, while Hobson/Whitlock ended the season at 12-5.

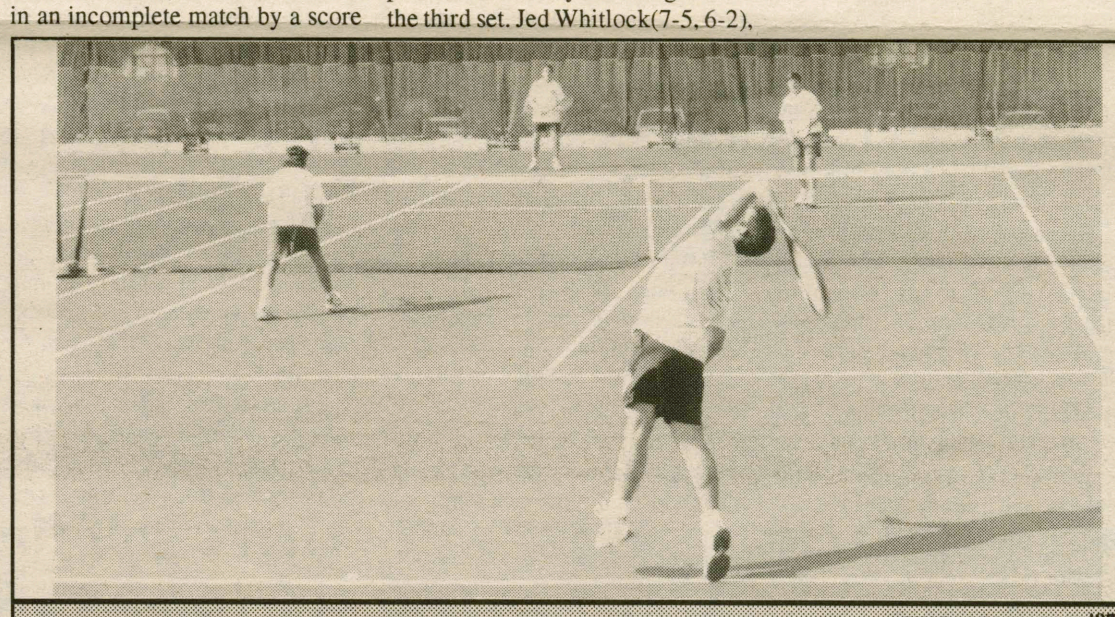

PHOTO BY LISA CHAN '97

Seth Joyal '96 and Co-captain Chris Snyder '95 await to return a serve from their Union foe.

Allbright tees off at Amherst Invitational

By Spectator Sports

Kiersten Allbright '98 participated this past weekend in the Amherst Invitational Women's Golf Tournament. Allbright, who has been practicing this year with the men's varsity team, shot 89-91 to finish in the top third of the strong field.

Coach Simon was not surprised by Allbright's high finish noting that she has been playing well all year, but emphasized that for someone to play as well as Kiersten in her first intercollegiate competition was a significant achievement.

Princeton finished first in the team competition, and the individual competition was won by Princeton's top player with scores of 74-79. Allbright is believed to be the first female to represent Hamilton in a varsity intercollegiate women's tournament.

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1. Pacific Ten Conference
2. John Elway, Dan Marino, Todd Blackledge, Ken O'Brien, Tony Eason
3. Miami, Fla.
4. Blair Thomas

This Week's Questions:
1. How many picks were there in the first round of this year's NFL Draft?
2. Who was the first pick in this year's NFL expansion Draft?
3. How many World Series titles have the Yankees won?
4. How many times has Albert Belle of the Cleveland Indians won the American League RBI crown?

SpectatorSports

The Spectator April 28, 1995

Women's lacrosse advances in state tourney

By Todd Monsell '98
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

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The Hamilton women's lacrosse team, ranked #13 in the nation, defeated Rensselaer Polytchnic Institute, 14-8, on Love Field Wednesday to advance to the semifinals of the NYSWCAA tournament. Hamilton took an 8-5 record and a #3 tournament seed into the 8-team tournament. The team faces #2 Hartwick on Saturday, at Hartwick, a place the team suffered an 18-15 defeat earlier this season.

On Wednesday, Coach Betsy Bruce felt very confident going into the game against #6 seeded RPI. However, the Continentals faltered early, spotting the Engineers a 3-0 lead in the first 10 minutes. "My heart fell," Bruce recounted. However, Hamilton roared back with an incredible three goals in less than a minute, tying the game at 3. By halftime, Hamilton had taken a 7-4 lead. The team was eventually able to hold on with a 14-8 victory, although Coach Bruce remarks, "I wasn't confident until the final horn blew."

Important in the win were the facts that Hamilton won 18 of 24 draws and that there were 6 assists on the first 8 Hamilton goals. "We're a better passing team than a running team," Coach Bruce stated.

Isabel Roberts '97 led the way for Hamilton, netting 5 goals and picking up 2 assists, her best offensive output of the season. Joanna Peters '97, who Coach Bruce says is finally coming alive after a rough start, picked up 4 goals and an assist. Other contributors were Kate Harris '97, with a goal and 2 assists, Mandy Morison '97, with 2 goals, Alison Wandelt '95 with 2 assists, and sophomores Meghan Waters and Judy Whitaker picking up a goal a piece. Goalkeeper Melissa Hyner '97 secured the victory in the net, stopping an impressive 19 out of 27 RPI shots.

Women's lacrosse has their work cut out for them this weekend as they advance to face Hartwick, ranked #4 nationally, in the final four held at Hartwick. Should the team advance,

*please see **Lax** on page 21*

PHOTO BY GABRIEL CID '97

The women's lacrosse team advanced to the New York State Women's Collegiate Athletic Association Championship's semifinal round with a 14-8 win against RPI.

Men's baseball sweeps Union in doubleheader

By Mark Granovsky '98
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

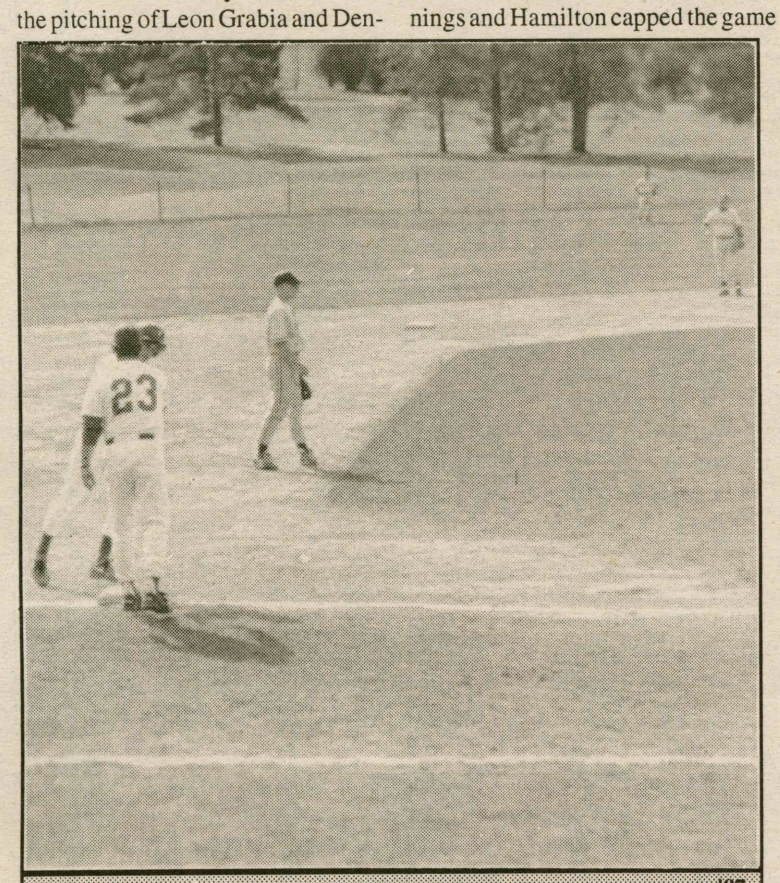
The men's baseball team are continuing their Dr. Jeckyl/Mr. Hyde season with a sweep of the Union Dutchmen 10-6 and 19-2, and a loss to Rensselaer 11-2. The Hamilton nine now stand at 8-12.

Hamilton put on a baseball clinic against Union with solid hitting and pitching. Hamilton scored ten runs in the first three innings to take an impressive 10-1 lead over the struggling Dutchmen. Shortstop John Kowalczik '96 and rightfielder Sean Fay '98 hit powerful homers for the Continentals as they overmatched the pitching of Leon Grabia and Dennis Staph. Leftfielder Brian Guastella '98 knocked in two runs on two hits and centerfielder Ryan Christ '95 added two more with a double. Pitcher Mike Rahmer '95 gave a decent 6 2/3 innings for the Continentals despite ten walks and five earned runs. Pitcher Joe Rowbottom '98 pitched 1/3 of an inning to record his third save of the year.

If the first game was difficult for Union, then the second was a compete nightmare for the Dutchmen. The Continentals continued their onslaught with nineteen runs on eighteen hits, and a fine pitching performance by Matt Klumpp '98. The score was 8-0 after the first two innings and Hamilton capped the game with a ten run fourth inning. Every Hamilton player reached base in the game without recording a "one-two-three inning". Designated hitter Bob Simonds '95 and second baseman Mike Perlman '98 both went 3-4 as they drove in three runs. The sky rained homers as leftfielder Adam Rowland '95 hit a three run blast and Fay added a pair of two-run homers. Fay accumulated four hits, four runs, and nine RBIs on the day. Klumpp tamed the Dutchmen with a complete game allowing only five hits and one walk.

Rensselaer was not the kindest of hosts to the Continentals. Entering the game with a 21-9 record, they proceeded to sack Hamilton by a score of 11-2. RPI was ahead 7-0 after three innings. Jayson Goldberg pitched five solid innings for RPI, allowing only four hits and striking out five. Brian Plaxe and Tim Baldwin pitched three innings of relief as the Continentals offense never got on track. After outscoring Union 29-8, Hamilton could only manage an RBI single by third baseman Aaron Simon '96 and a sacrifice by Sean Fay. The pitching team of Christ and Rowbottom allowed thirteen hits and six earned runs in the loss.

Hamilton will play the Skidmore Thoroughbreds this Saturday in the Cooperstown tournament. The tournament will also host Colby and Hartwick.



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The men's baseball team has won 2 out of their last 3 games. The team will play in the Cooperstown tournament this weekend.

Men's golf finishes fourth at Hartwick Spring Invitational

By Spectator Sports

The Hamilton men's golf team continued their solid play of the spring season by finishing fourth out of eleven teams at Hartwick's Spring Invitational Tournament in Oneonta this past weekend. Skidmore and Binghamton, ranked among the best ten teams nationally in Division III, finished first and second, while a strong Oswego squad, that had finished behind the Continentals last week at Colgate, held on to third. However, Hamilton's 325-323 performance placed the team well ahead of NESCAC rival Williams, Utica College, LeMoyne, Ithaca, Hartwick, Elmira, and SUNY Tech.

Mike Saber '97 continued his fine play with an 80-81 to lead the team, while Mark Fedorcik '95 (84-80), Jim Gillies '97 (81-83), John Whitwell '98 (84-81), and Darren Fuller '98 (88-78) all contributed to the fourth place finish. Ryan Foote of Binghamton was individual medalist with a 72-76.

The day before the Hartwick tournament, the Continentals journeyed to Williams for a four team match. After witnessing a high speed chase of a fugitive by state police on the New York Thruway (who somehow ignored Coach Simon's driving!), the team lost to Williams and Trinity but defeated Middlebury. The golfing highlight of the day was Saber's 74 on the difficult Taconic layout, which tied him for medalist. Saber currently leads the team in spring scoring with an average of 78 per round.

The Continentals now have finished ahead of sixteen of the twenty four teams they faced in four events this spring. They compete this weekend in the New England Division III Championships at Williams where continued good play would help keep the team's hopes for postseason competition alive.

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